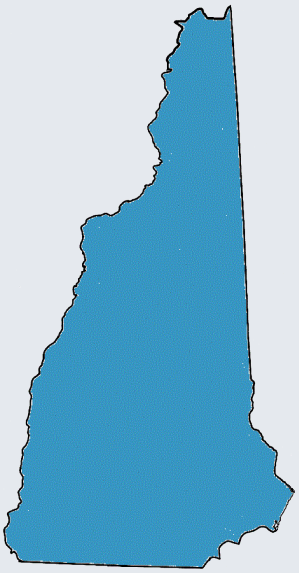

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Queen City Tornado

Manchester – February 27, 2016

The Queen City Tornado, a one-day G/60 + 5 event, was held in Manchester, NH on Saturday, Feb 27, 2016. Clear first was earned by David Carter of Vermont, with the top-scoring New Hampshirite, David Kochman, finding himself in a three-way tie for second with Alejandro Botta and Eric Feng, both from Massachusetts. Ian Dudley, also from Vermont, took the U1800 honors with a clean sweep of 4 out of 4. Rounding out the Vermont hat-trick was Christopher Tuttle who likewise won the U1300 section with the maximum points.

Hilgendorf,Niccolo (1991) - Shaw,Craig (1748) [D06]

QCT, G/60 Manchester, NH (1), 2016-02-27

1.d4 d5 2.c4 Bf5 3.Nc3 e6 4.Nf3 Nc6 5.cxd5 exd5 6.a3 Nf6 7.Bg5 Be7 8.e3 0-0 9.Bd3 Bxd3 10.Qxd3 Re8 11.b4 h6 12.Bxf6 Bxf6 13.0-0 a6 14.Qf5 Ne7 15.Qh5 Ng6 16.Qxd5 Qc8 17.Rac1 c6 18.Qh5 Qe6 19.Nd2 Rad8 20.Nde4 Be7 21.Nc5 Bxc5 22.bxc5 Qb3 23.Qf3 Re6 24.Ne4 b5 25.cxb6 Qxb6 26.Nc5 Rf6 27.Qe4 a5 28.Rb1 Qc7 29.Rb7 Qc8 30.Rfb1 Re8 31.Qxe8+ Qxe8 32.Rb8 Kf8 33.Nd7+ 1-0

Li,Kevin (1268) - Messenger,Bob (1811) [B02]

QCT, G/60 Manchester, NH (1), 2016-02-27

1.e4 Nf6 2.Nc3 d5 3.exd5 Nxd5 4.Nxd5 Qxd5 5.Qf3 Qe5+ 6.Qe2 Nc6 7.Nf3 Qxe2+ 8.Bxe2 e5 9.d3 Bc5 10.0-0 0-0 11.Be3 Bb6 12.Nd2 Nd4 13.Bxd4 Bxd4 14.Rab1 Re8 15.Nb3 Bb6 16.Bf3 c6 17.Rfe1 Bf5 18.Be4 Be6 19.Bf3 f6 20.Rbd1 Rad8 21.a3 Kf7 22.Nd2 Rd7 23.Ne4 h6 24.Ng3 Red8 25.Be4 g6 26.b4 f5 27.Bf3 Kf6 28.Be2 Bd4 29.Rc1 Bb2 30.Rb1 Bxa3 31.c3 c5 32.bxc5 Bxc5 33.c4 b6 34.Nf1 e4 35.dxe4 fxe4 the remaining moves were lost to time pressure 0-1

Walton,Robert (1406) - Gassler,Richard (1604) [B50]

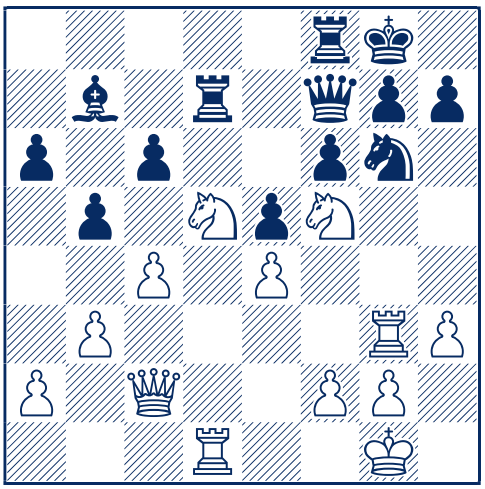
QCT U1800, G/60 Manchester, NH (1), 2016-02-27

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.c3 Nf6 4.Qc2 Bg4 5.Be2 Nbd7 6.d4 cxd4 7.cxd4 Rc8 8.Nc3 d5 9.e5 Ne4 10.Qb3 Qa5 11.0-0 Nxc3 12.bxc3 Qxc3 13.Qxb7 Rb8 14.Bd2 Rxb7 15.Bxc3 e6 16.Rab1 Bxf3 17.Rxb7 Bxe2 18.Rfb1 Ba6 19.Rxa7 Bc4 20.Ra8+ 1-0

Tiruveedhula,Maruthi (1318) - Decker,Doug (1579) [C62]

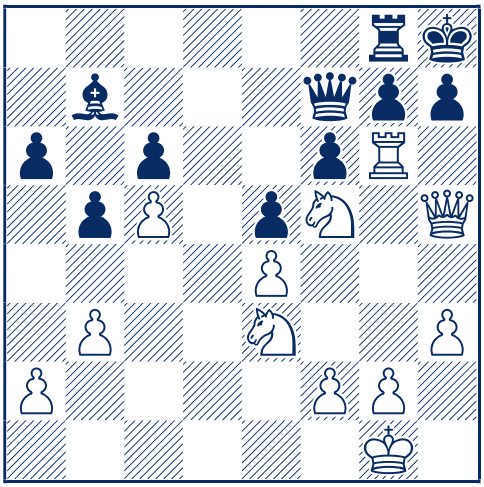
QCT U1800, G/60 Manchester, NH (1), 2016-02-27

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 d6 4.Nc3 Bd7 5.0-0 a6 6.Bxc6 Bxc6 7.d3 Be7 8.Re1 Nf6 9.h3 0-0 10.Bg5 Nh5 11.Bxe7 Qxe7 12.d4 Nf4 13.dxe5 dxe5 14.Nd5 Qd6 15.c4 Rad8 16.Rc1 f6 17.Qc2 Rd7 18.Rcd1 Qe6 19.Nh4 Qf7 20.Re3 b5 21.b3 Bb7 22.Rg3 c6 23.Nf5 Ng6



Spot The Tactic #1 (white to move)

24.Nde3 Rxd1+ 25.Qxd1 Kh8 26.c5 Rg8 27.Qh5 Qf8 28.Rxg6 Qf7



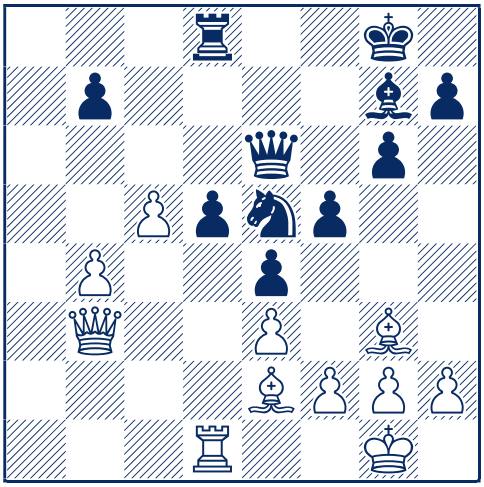
Spot The Tactic #2 (white to move)

29.Rh6 g6 30.Rxg6 Rxg6 31.Ng4 Qd7 32.Nh4 Rg5 33.Nxf6 Rxh5 34.Ng6+ hxg6 35.Nxd7 Bc8 36.Nf6 Rh4 37.Kh2 Kg7 38.Ng4 Bxg4 0-1

Abate,Tony (1455) - Kelley,Nathan (1676) [A85]

QCT U1800, G/60 Manchester, NH (1) , 2016-02-27

1.d4 f5 2.c4 g6 3.Nf3 Nf6 4.Bg5 Bg7 5.Nc3 0-0 6.Qd2 Re8 7.e3 d6 8.Rd1 c6 9.Be2 Qc7 10.0-0 e5 11.dxe5 dxe5 12.Bh4 e4 13.Nd4 Nbd7 14.Bg3 Ne5 15.Qc2 Be6 16.Nxe6 Rxe6 17.c5 Ree8 18.Rd2 Qe7 19.b4 a5 20.a3 axb4 21.axb4 Rad8 22.Rxd8 Rxd8 23.Rd1 Nd5 24.Nxd5 cxd5 25.Qb3 Qe6



Spot The Tactic #3 (white to move)

26.Bh4 Rd7 27.Bb5 Nc6 28.Bg3 Kf7 29.Bd6 Be5 30.Bxe5 Qxe5 31.Bxc6 bxc6 32.Rd4 f4 33.f3 fxe3 34.Qxe3 Ra7 35.Rd1 Ra1 36.Rf1 Rxf1+ 37.Kxf1 Qa1+ 38.Qe1 Qxe1+ 39.Kxe1 e3 40.Ke2 d4 41.g3 Ke6 42.h3 Kd5 43.g4 Kc4 44.f4 Kxb4 45.f5 gxf5 46.gxf5 Kxc5 0-1

Commisso,Michael (1696) - Kary,Mitchell (1348) [B23]

QCT U1800, G/60 Manchester, NH (1), 2016-02-27

1.e4 c5 2.Nc3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Nf6 4.d3 e6 5.Bb3 d6 6.f4 Be7 7.Nf3 0-0 8.0-0 Qc7 9.Qe1 a6 10.Ne2 Na5 11.e5 Nd7 12.f5 Nxb3 13.axb3 Nxe5 14.Nxe5 dxe5 15.Qg3 Bf6 16.fxe6 Bxe6 17.Rxf6 Kh8 18.Rf1 Rad8 19.Bd2 Rfe8 20.Ba5 b6 21.Bc3 Bc8 22.Ra4 f6 23.Rh4 Qf7 24.Bxe5 Qe6 25.Nf4 g5 26.Nxe6 fxe5 27.Qxe5+ Kg8 28.Qg7# 1-0

Havener,Jason (1601) - McShane,Michael (1389) [A00]

QCT U1800, G/60 Manchester, NH (1), 2016-02-27

1.b4 e5 2.Bb2 Bxb4 3.Bxe5 Nf6 4.Nf3 Nc6 5.Bb2 d6 6.e3 Bg4 7.Be2 Qe7 8.0-0 0-0-0 9.c4 Be6 10.Nd4 Nxd4 11.Bxd4 Bc5 12.Bxc5 dxc5 13.Nc3 Qd6 14.Qb3 Qb6 15.Qc2 Qc6 16.Bf3 Qa6 17.Rab1 c6 18.Rb2 Bxc4 19.Rfb1 b6 20.Qf5+ Be6 21.Qf4 Bd7 22.Na4 Qa5 23.Nxb6+ axb6 24.Rxb6 Nd5 25.Qb8# 1-0

Harju,David (1167) - Chang,Kristy [C50]

QCT U1300, G/60 Manchester, NH (1), 2016-02-27

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.Nc3 Nd4 5.d3 Nf6 6.Nxe5 0-0 7.Be3 d6 8.Nf3 Bg4 9.h3 Nxf3+ 10.gxf3 Bh5 11.Rg1 Bxe3 12.fxe3 Re8 13.Qe2 Qd7 14.Qg2 g6 15.0-0-0 c6 16.Rdf1 b5 17.Bb3 a5 18.a4 Kg7 19.f4 d5 20.exd5 Rxe3 21.dxc6 Qxh3 22.Qxh3 Rxh3 23.axb5 Rc8 24.Nd5 Bf3 25.c4 Bxd5 26.cxd5 Rxd3 27.Kc2 Rd4 28.Rd1 Rb4 29.d6 Rxb5 30.d7 Nxd7 31.Rxd7 Rxc6+ 32.Kb1 Rxb3 33.f5 a4 34.Rf1 Rf6 35.Rxf7+ Rxf7 36.fxg6 Rxf1+ 37.Ka2 Rxb2+ 0-1

Jabar,Lori (271) - Perez,Rafael (1175) [C40]

QCT U1300, G/60 Manchester, NH (1), 2016-02-27

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Qf6 3.Nc3 c6 4.Bc4 h6 5.d3 Bb4 6.a3 Ba5 7.b4 Bc7 8.b5 Ne7 9.bxc6 dxc6 10.0-0 Bg4 11.Be3 Bxf3 12.gxf3 Nd7 13.Ne2 Qxf3 14.Ng3 Qf6 15.Qb1 Bb6 16.Qd1 h5 17.Nxh5 Qg6+ 18.Ng3 0-0-0 19.a4 a5 20.Rb1 Bxe3 21.fxe3 f5 22.c3 Nc5 23.d4 Rd7 24.Qc1 Qh6 25.Rf2 Nxe4 26.Nxe4 fxe4 27.Qb2 exd4 28.Ba6 dxe3 29.Bxb7+ Kd8 30.Re2 Rd2 31.Rxd2+ exd2 32.Rd1 e3 33.Qb6+ Kd7 34.Qd4+ Kc7 35.Ba6 Qxh2+ 0-1

Seward,Patrick (862) - Tappen,Eugene (1265) [B18]

QCT U1300, G/60 Manchester, NH (1), 2016-02-27

1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 dxe4 4.Nxe4 Bf5 5.Qd3 Bxe4 6.Qxe4 Nf6 7.Qe3 e6 8.Nf3 Nbd7 9.g3 Be7 10.Bg2 Qa5+ 11.Bd2 Bb4 12.a3 Bxd2+ 13.Nxd2 0-0 14.c3 Rac8 15.0-0 Qb6 16.Nc4 Qc7 17.Rad1 b5 18.Ne5 Nd5 19.Bxd5 cxd5 20.Rd3 Nxe5 21.dxe5 a6 22.b4 Qc4 23.Rc1 Qe4 24.Qxe4 dxe4 25.Re3 Rc4 26.Rd1 Ra8 27.Rd4 Rxd4 28.cxd4 a5 29.bxa5 Rxa5 30.Rc3 g6 31.g4 Kg7 32.Re3 Ra4 33.Rxe4 Rxa3 34.d5 exd5 35.Rd4 Ra4 36.Rxd5 Rxg4+ 37.Kf1 b4 38.Rb5 g5 39.f3 Rf4 40.Kg2 Kg6 41.Rb6+ Kf5 42.Rf6+ Kxe5 0-1

Tiruveedhula,Saanvi (485) - Harju,John (1214) [B00]

QCT U1300, G/60 Manchester, NH (1), 2016-02-27

1.e4 b6 2.Nf3 Bb7 3.Nc3 e6 4.a3 d6 5.Be2 Nf6 6.0-0 Nxe4 7.Nxe4 Bxe4 8.d3 Bb7 9.Re1 Be7 10.d4 0-0 11.Rf1 Bf6 12.b3 c5 13.Bb2 Re8 14.Bb5 Bc6 15.Bc4 b5 16.Be2 a6 17.c3 Qb6 18.dxc5 dxc5 19.Ra2 Rd8 20.Qc2 Bd5 21.c4 Bxb2 22.cxd5 Bf6 23.dxe6 Qxe6 24.a4 b4 25.Bc4 Qd6 26.Rd1 Qxd1+ 27.Qxd1 Rxd1+ 28.Bf1 Nc6 29.g3 Nd4 30.Kg2 Nxf3 31.Kxf3 Rxf1 32.Kg2 Rb1 33.Re2 Rxb3 34.a5 c4 35.Kf1 c3 36.Re3 Rb1+ 37.Kg2 c2 38.g4 c1Q 39.Kh3 Rb2 40.Rf3 Be5 41.Kg2 Rb1 42.Kh3 g5 43.Re3 Qf1# 0-1

Ramanathan,Suraj (1961) - Carter,David (2191) [D44]

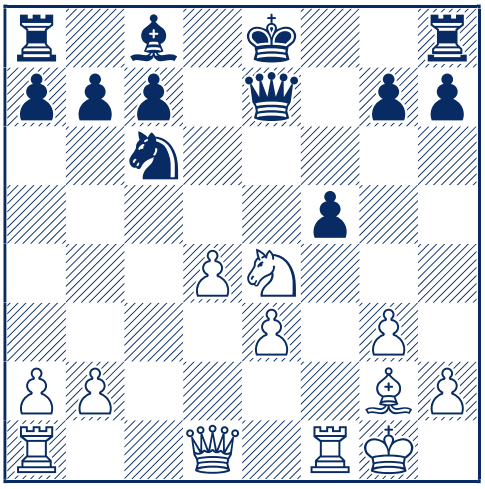
QCT, G/60 Manchester, NH (2), 2016-02-27

1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 c6 4.Nf3 dxc4 5.a4 Bb4 6.e4 b5 7.Be2 Nf6 8.Bg5 h6 9.Bxf6 Qxf6 10.0-0 Bxc3 11.bxc3 0-0 12.e5 Qe7 13.Nd2 a6 14.Ne4 Nd7 15.Nd6 Nb6 16.Bf3 Bd7 17.a5 Nd5 18.Bxd5 cxd5 19.Qb1 f5 20.f4 Be8 21.Rf3 Bh5 22.Rg3 Be2 23.Qe1 Bd3 24.Ra2 Kh7 25.Qd2 Rab8 26.Qb2 Rg8 27.Qb4 Qh4 28.Rf2 Qh5 29.Rd2 Qh4 30.Rf2 Qe7 31.Rh3 Qc7 32.Rb2 g6 33.Rf2 Rg7 34.Rg3 Qe7 35.Qc5 Qc7 36.Qb4 g5 37.fxg5 hxg5 38.Rh3+ Kg6 39.g4 f4 40.Rh5 Rh7 41.Rxh7 Qxh7 42.Qc5 Qh4 43.Qc7 Qxg4+ 44.Kh1 Qd1+ 45.Kg2 Rf8 46.h3 Qe1 47.Qe7 f3+ 48.Rxf3 Qe2+ 49.Kg1 Qxf3 50.Qxe6+ Kh5 0-1

Shaw,Craig (1748) - Elmore,John (2098) [C45]

QCT, G/60 Manchester, NH (2), 2016-02-27

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 exd4 4.Nxd4 Bc5 5.Be3 Qf6 6.c3 Nge7 7.g3 d5 8.Bg2 dxe4 9.Nd2 Bxd4 10.cxd4 Nd5 11.Nxe4 Qe7 12.0-0 Nxe3 13.fxe3 f5



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14.Nf2 (14.d5! Ne5 [14...fxe4 15.dxc6 bxc6 16.Qa4 Bd7 17.Rf4] 15.d6 with a powerful attack) 14...0-0 15.Qb3+ Kh8 16.Rac1 Re8 17.Rc3 Nd8 18.e4 c6 19.d5 fxe4 20.Bxe4 cxd5 21.Bd3 d4 22.Rcc1 Nc6 23.Qc2 Nb4 24.Qb3 Nxd3 25.Qxd3 Bd7 26.Qxd4 Bc6 27.Ng4 Rad8 28.Qc4 Rd2 29.Nf2 Rxb2 30.Qc3 Rxa2 31.Rce1 Re2 32.Rxe2 Qxe2 0-1

Kelley,Nathan (1676) - Walton,Robert (1406) [B87]

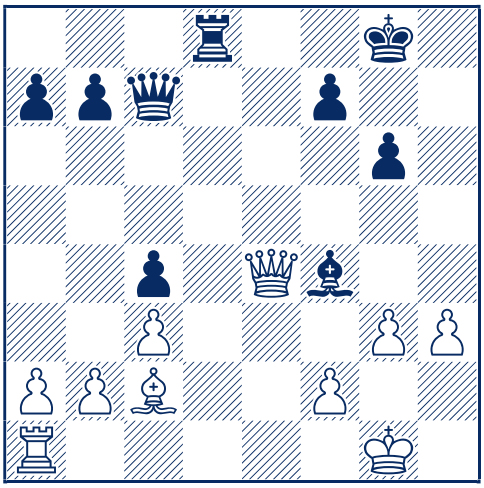
QCT U1800, G/60 Manchester, NH (2), 2016-02-27

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 e6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 a6 6.f3 d6 7.Bc4 b5 8.Bb3 Bb7 9.Be3 Be7 10.Qd2 Nbd7 11.Bxe6 0-0 12.Bd5 Bxd5 13.Nxd5 Nxd5 14.exd5 Ne5 15.b3 Bf6 16.0-0-0 Rc8 17.h3 Ng6 18.Nc6 Qd7 19.Bd4 Qf5 20.Bxf6 Qxf6 21.Kb1 Ne5 22.Nd4 Rfe8 23.f4 Ng6 24.g3 h6 25.Nc6 Ne7 26.Rhe1 Kh7 27.Nxe7 Rxe7 28.Rxe7 Qxe7 29.Re1 Qf6 30.Qd3+ Kg8 31.Re3 g6 32.h4 Kf8 33.a4 Ra8 34.axb5 axb5 35.Qc3 Qxc3 36.Rxc3 Rb8 37.Rc6 Ke7 38.Rc7+ Ke8 39.Kc1 b4 40.Kd2 Rb5 41.c4 bxc3+ 42.Rxc3 Rxd5+ 43.Rd3 Rxd3+ 44.Kxd3 h5 45.Kd4 Kd7 46.Kd5 Kc7 47.b4 Kd7 48.b5 f6 49.b6 f5 50.b7 Kc7 51.b8Q+ Kxb8 52.Kxd6 Kc8 53.Ke6 1-0

Dailing,Lee (1461) - Havener,Jason (1601) [D05]

QCT U1800, G/60 Manchester, NH (2), 2016-02-27

1.d4 Nf6 2.Nf3 c5 3.c3 e6 4.e3 Nc6 5.Bd3 d5 6.0-0 c4 7.Bc2 Bd6 8.Nbd2 Qa5 9.Re1 e5 10.dxe5 Nxe5 11.Nxe5 Bxe5 12.e4 0-0 13.exd5 Qc7 14.Nf3 Bg4 15.h3 Bxf3 16.Qxf3 h6 17.Qf5 Rfe8 18.Bd2 g6 19.Qf3 Nxd5 20.Bxh6 Nf4 21.Bxf4 Bxf4 22.Re4 Rxe4 23.Qxe4 Rd8 24.g3



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24...Bxg3 25.fxg3 Qxg3+ 26.Qg2 Qxg2+ 27.Kxg2 Rd2+ 28.Kg3 Rxc2 29.Rb1 Kg7 30.Kg4 Kh6 31.h4 Rg2+ 32.Kh3 Rd2 33.Kg4 f5+ 34.Kf4 Re2 35.Kg3 Kh5 36.a4 Re4 37.b4 Re3+ 38.Kf4 Rxc3 39.Rg1 Rd3 40.Rc1 Rd4+ 41.Ke3 Rxh4 42.Rd1 Rh3+ 43.Kf4 Rh4+ 44.Ke5 c3 45.Rd7 Rxb4 46.Kf6 Rb6+ 47.Ke5 c2 48.Rc7 Rc6 49.Rh7+ Kg5 0-1

Dudley,Ian (1647) - Brian,O'Neil (1335) [D02]

QCT U1800, G/60 Manchester, NH (2), 2016-02-27

1.d4 Nf6 2.Bf4 g6 3.Nf3 Bg7 4.e3 d5 5.Bd3 0-0 6.h4 Ne4 7.h5 Bg4 8.hxg6 fxg6 9.c3 Nd7 10.Qb3 Nb6 11.Bxe4 Nc4 12.Bd3 e5 13.dxe5 Bxf3 14.gxf3 Nxe5 15.Bxe5 Bxe5 16.Nd2 c5 17.Qc2 Rf6 18.0-0-0 d4 19.Nc4 Bc7 20.exd4 cxd4 21.Kb1 b5 22.Nd2 dxc3 23.Qxc3 Rd6 24.Ne4 b4 25.Qxb4 Rxd3 26.Qc4+ Kh8 27.Rxd3 Qe7 28.Nc5 Bb6 29.Rd7 Qf6 30.Rdxh7# 1-0

Decker,Doug (1579) - Taggart,James (1738) [C02]

QCT U1800, G/60 Manchester, NH (2), 2016-02-27

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.Nf3 Nc6 5.c3 Qb6 6.Be2 cxd4 7.cxd4 Nh6 8.Nc3 Nf5 9.Bb5 Bd7 10.Bxc6 bxc6 11.0-0 c5 12.dxc5 Bxc5 13.Na4 Bxa4 14.Qxa4+ Ke7 15.Rb1 h6 16.b4 Rab8 17.Ba3 Bd4 18.Nxd4 Nxd4 19.Qd1 Nb5 20.Qd3 Nxa3 21.Qxa3 Rhc8 22.b5+ Rc5 23.Rfc1 Rbc8 24.Rxc5 Qxc5 25.Qxc5+ Rxc5 26.a4 Kd7 27.a5 Kc7 28.Kf1 a6 29.bxa6 Rxa5 30.Rb7+ Kc6 31.Rxf7 Rxa6 32.Rxg7 d4 33.Rg6 Kd5 34.f4 Ra1+ 35.Ke2 Ra2+ 36.Kd3 Ra3+ 37.Kc2 Ra2+ 38.Kb3 Rf2 39.g3 Rxh2 40.Rg8 h5 41.Rd8+ Ke4 42.Rd6 Rg2 43.Rxe6 Rxg3+ 44.Kc2 Kxf4 45.Re8 Re3 46.e6 Kf5 47.e7 Ke6 48.Rh8 Kxe7 49.Rxh5 ½-½

Corrigan,Michael (1768) - Commisso,Michael (1696) [B15]

QCT U1800, G/60 Manchester, NH (2), 2016-02-27

1.d4 d5 2.e4 c6 3.Nc3 dxe4 4.f3 e3 5.Bxe3 Nf6 6.Bd3 e6 7.Nge2 Bd6 8.0-0 Nbd7 9.Ne4 Nxe4 10.fxe4 e5 11.d5 cxd5 12.exd5 e4 13.Bxe4 Qh4 14.Bf4 Bc5+ 15.Kh1 Nf6 16.g3 Qg4 17.Bf3 Qg6 18.Nc3 0-0 19.Na4 Be7 20.d6 Rd8 21.Re1 Bf8 22.c4 Bg4 23.c5 Rac8 24.Bxg4 Nxg4 25.Qf3 Rc6 26.b4 Ra6 27.Nc3 Ra3 28.Bc1 Qc2 29.Qxg4 Qxc3 30.Bg5 f6 31.Qe6+ Kh8 32.Be3 Qb2 33.Rab1 Qc2 34.Bf4 Rxa2 35.Qe4 Qxh2# 0-1

Cooper,Karl (1571) - Plummer,Donald (1671) [C61]

QCT U1800, G/60 Manchester, NH (2), 2016-02-27

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 Nd4 4.Nxd4 exd4 5.d3 a6 6.Ba4 Nf6 7.0-0 Be7 8.Bf4 0-0 9.Nd2 d6 10.c3 dxc3 11.bxc3 Bg4 12.f3 Be6 13.Qc2 Nh5 14.Be3 f5 15.Bb3 Qd7 16.exf5 Rxf5 17.g4 Re5 18.Rfe1 Nf6 19.d4 Rd5 20.Bg5 Rxg5 21.Bxe6+ 1-0

Perez,Rafael (1175) - Greene,Nathaniel [A00]

QCT U1300, G/60 Manchester, NH (2), 2016-02-27

1.b4 Nf6 2.g3 g6 3.Bb2 Bg7 4.Bg2 0-0 5.e3 c6 6.Nf3 Re8 7.Nc3 d5 8.0-0 e5 9.d3 Bg4 10.Qe1 Nbd7 11.Nd2 Qe7 12.a3 b5 13.Nb3 Rab8 14.Na5 Qd6 15.f3 Be6 16.Ne2 Bh6 17.f4 e4 18.Bd4 a6 19.Rd1 Ng4 20.dxe4 Qe7 21.Nxc6 Qd6 22.Nxb8 Qxb8 23.exd5 Bf5 24.Rd2 Bg7 25.c3 Bxd4 26.cxd4 Nxe3 27.Rf2 Ng4 28.Rf3 Nb6 29.Rc3 Nc4 30.Ra2 Qd8 31.Qc1 Nge3 32.Bf3 Nxd5 33.Bxd5 Qxd5 34.Qc2 Bxc2 0-1

Harju,John (1214) - Vittum,Greg (994) [C50]

QCT U1300, G/60 Manchester, NH (2), 2016-02-27

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Be7 4.d4 exd4 5.Nxd4 Nxd4 6.Qxd4 Bf6 7.Qd5 Qe7 8.0-0 c6 9.Qd3 Qc5 10.c3 Ne7 11.b4 Qh5 12.Bf4 0-0 13.Re1 Ng6 14.Bd6 Be5 15.g3 Re8 16.Bxe5 Nxe5 17.Qe2 Nf3+ 18.Kf1 Qh3# 0-1

Browne,Isaac - Seward,Patrick (862) [B10]

QCT U1300, G/60 Manchester, NH (2), 2016-02-27

1.e4 c6 2.Nf3 d5 3.d3 Nf6 4.Nc3 dxe4 5.dxe4 Qxd1+ 6.Nxd1 Nxe4 7.Bd3 Nf6 8.0-0 g6 9.Be3 Bg7 10.Bd4 Bg4 11.Ng5 Bxd1 12.Raxd1 0-0 13.Rfe1 e6 14.b3 b6 15.Ba1 c5 16.Nf3 Nc6 17.a4 Nb4 18.h3 Nxd3 19.Rxd3 Rad8 20.Rde3 Rd6 21.c4 Nh5 22.Ne5 Bh6 23.Re4 Nf6 24.R4e2 Rd2 25.Nc6 Rxe2 26.Rxe2 Bg7 27.Nxa7 Rd8 28.Bc3 Rd3 29.Rc2 Nh5 30.Nb5 Nf4 31.Kf1 Bxc3 32.Nxc3 e5 33.f3 f5 34.Kf2 Kf7 35.h4 h6 36.g3 Ne6 37.Ke2 Rxf3 38.Kxf3 Nd4+ 39.Ke3 Nxc2+ 40.Kd3 Na1 41.Nd5 Nxb3 42.Nxb6 Na5 43.Nd7 g5 44.Nxe5+ Ke6 45.Nf3 Kf6 46.Nd2 gxh4 47.gxh4 the remaining moves were lost to time trouble 1-0

Rangan,Srinath (587) - Harju,David (1167) [C01]

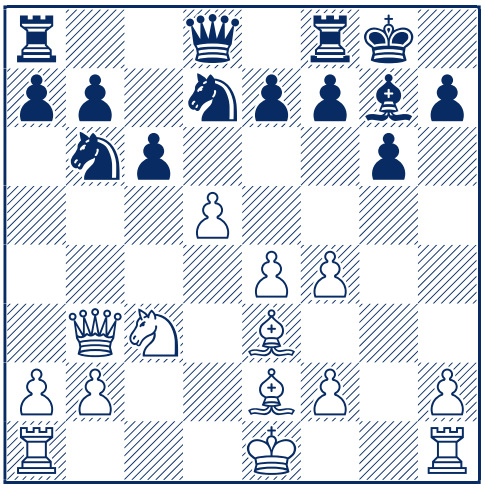
QCT U1300, G/60 Manchester, NH (2), 2016-02-27

1.e4 Nc6 2.d4 e6 3.Bd2 Nxd4 4.Nf3 Nxf3+ 5.gxf3 Nf6 6.Bg5 Be7 7.Bxf6 Bxf6 8.Nc3 c6 9.Qd3 b6 10.0-0-0 Bb7 11.Re1 d6 12.h4 c5 13.Qb5+ Qd7 14.f4 Bc6 15.Qd3 0-0 16.f5 exf5 17.Bh3 Bxc3 18.Qxc3 Bxe4 19.Rhg1 g6 20.Rxe4 Rfe8 21.Re3 Qa4 22.h5 Qxa2 23.Kd2 Rxe3 24.fxe3 Qa5 25.b4 Qxb4 26.Qxb4 cxb4 27.Bxf5 Kf8 28.Be4 Re8 29.Kd3 a5 30.Rf1 Rc8 31.Kd4 f5 32.hxg6 hxg6 33.Bd3 a4 34.e4 a3 35.exf5 gxf5 36.Rxf5+ Ke7 37.Rf1 b5 38.Rb1 Rc3 39.Rxb4 a2 40.Kxc3 a1Q+ 41.Kb3 Qb1+ 42.Kc3 Qe1+ 43.Kb3 Ke6 44.Re4+ Qxe4 45.Bxe4 d5 46.Bd3 d4 47.c3 dxc3 ½-½

Carter,David (2191) - Newman,Tim (2092) [D90]

QCT, G/60 Manchester, NH (3), 2016-02-27

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 d5 4.cxd5 Nxd5 5.Bd2 Bg7 6.e4 Nb6 7.Be3 0-0 8.Be2 Nc6 9.Nf3 Bg4 10.d5 Bxf3 11.gxf3 Ne5 12.Qb3 c6 13.f4 Ned7



A Grunfeld tabiya (white to move)

14.Rd1 cxd5 15.Nxd5 Nxd5 16.Rxd5 e6 17.Rd2 Qa5 18.0-0 Nf6 19.Bf3 e5 20.Rfd1 b6 21.Bg2 exf4 22.Bxf4 Rac8 23.Bd6

Rfe8 24.e5 Ng4 25.Bd5 Rc1 26.Bb4 Rxd1+ 27.Rxd1 Qb5 28.Bxf7+ Kh8 29.Bxe8 Qe2 30.Rd2 Qxe5 31.Bc6 Qg5 32.Qg3 Be5 33.Bc3 1-0

Blatt,Eric (1836) - Chevalier,Tim (2000) [D85]

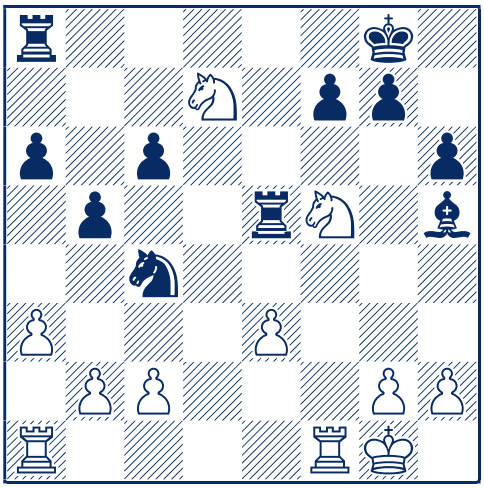
QCT, G/60 Manchester, NH (3), 2016-02-27

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 d5 4.cxd5 Nxd5 5.e4 Nxc3 6.bxc3 Bg7 7.Bb5+ Nd7 8.Ne2 0-0 9.0-0 c6 10.Bc4 Nb6 11.Bb3 e5 12.a4 exd4 13.cxd4 c5 14.Be3 cxd4 15.Bxd4 Bxd4 16.Qxd4 Qxd4 17.Nxd4 Nd7 18.Rac1 b6 19.Bd5 Ba6 20.Rfd1 Rac8 21.Nc6 Rfe8 22.Bxf7+ Kxf7 23.Rxd7+ Kf8 24.f3 Re6 25.Rd8+ Rxd8 26.Nxd8 Re8 27.Rd1 Bc4 28.Rd4 b5 29.axb5 Bxb5 30.Nb7 Bc6 31.Na5 Bb5 32.Kf2 Rc8 33.Rd2 Kf7 34.g3 a6 35.f4 h5 36.e5 Rc3 37.Nb7 Ke7 38.Nd6 Bd7 39.Ne4 Rc4 40.Nf6 Bf5 41.Nd5+ Kf7 42.Ne3 Rc6 43.Nxf5 gxf5 44.Ra2 Ke6 45.Ke2 1-0

McShane,Michael (1389) - Whitmore,Walter (1519) [C50]

QCT U1800, G/60 Manchester, NH (3), 2016-02-27

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 a6 4.Bc4 Bc5 5.Nc3 Nf6 6.d3 0-0 7.a3 d6 8.Bg5 h6 9.Be3 Bxe3 10.fxe3 Ne7 11.d4 Ng6 12.Qe2 Nxe4 13.Nxe4 d5 14.Nc3 dxc4 15.Qxc4 exd4 16.Nxd4 Re8 17.Nd1 Bg4 18.0-0 Qd7 19.Re1 Ne5 20.Qc3 b5 21.Nf2 Bh5 22.Ne4 c6 23.Rf1 Nc4 24.Nc5 Qd6 25.Nf5 Qe5 26.Qxe5 Rxe5 27.Nd7



Spot The Tactic #4 (black to move)

27…Rd5 28.Ne7+ Kh7 29.Nxd5 cxd5 30.Rfe1 Rc8 31.b3 Nd2 32.Rac1 f6 33.Nb6 Rd8 34.a4 b4 35.a5 Ne4 36.Na4 f5 37.c4 dxc4 38.bxc4 Be8 39.Nb6 Nc5 40.Rcd1 Rd3 41.Rxd3 Nxd3 42.Rd1 Ne5 43.Rb1 Nc6 44.Nd5 Nxa5 45.Rxb4 g5 46.Nf6+ 1-0

Commisso,Michael (1696) - Kelley,Nathan (1676) [B23]

QCT U1800, G/60 Manchester, NH (3), 2016-02-27

1.e4 c5 2.Nc3 g6 3.Bc4 Nc6 4.f4 Bg7 5.d3 d6 6.Be3 Nf6 7.h3 0-0 8.Nf3 Nh5 9.g4 Nf6 10.Qe2 Na5 11.Bb3 Nxb3 12.axb3 b6 13.0-0 Bb7 14.f5 Nd7 15.fxg6 hxg6 16.Qf2 e6 17.Bf4 d5 18.Bd6 Re8 19.Nb5 dxe4 20.dxe4 Bxe4 21.Nc7 Bxf3 22.Qxf3 Qf6 23.Nxa8 Qd4+ 24.Rf2 Rxa8 25.Qxa8+ Kh7 26.Bg3 Qxb2 27.Rff1 Qxc2 28.Rxa7 Bd4+ 29.Bf2 Bxf2+ 30.Rxf2 Qd1+ 31.Kg2 f5 32.Qb7 1-0

Havener,Jason (1601) - Cooper,Karl (1571) [A00]

QCT U1800, G/60 Manchester, NH (3), 2016-02-27

1.b4 d5 2.Bb2 Nf6 3.e3 e6 4.b5 c6 5.a4 Bd7 6.c4 dxc4 7.Bxc4 Qa5 8.Nf3 Qb4 9.Qc2 Be7 10.Ba3 Qa5 11.Bxe7 Kxe7 12.Nc3 cxb5 13.Nxb5 Na6 14.0-0 Rhc8 15.Qd3 Nb4 16.Qd6+ Ke8 17.Qe5 Nc6 18.Nd6+ Kf8 19.Qf4 Rc7 20.Ng5 Be8 21.Rac1 Ne5 22.Bxe6 Rxc1 23.Rxc1 Qxd2 24.Rb1 Qxd6 25.Bh3 Rd8 26.g4 Bc6 27.e4 Nexg4 28.e5 Qxe5 29.Qb4+ Kg8 30.f4 Qe3+ 31.Kf1 Nxh2# 0-1

Garside,Finn (1441) - Decker,Doug (1579) [C53]

QCT U1800, G/60 Manchester, NH (3), 2016-02-27

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 d6 5.d4 exd4 6.cxd4 Bb4+ 7.Bd2 Bxd2+ 8.Qxd2 Nf6 9.Nc3 0-0 10.0-0 Re8 11.Rfe1 Ne7 12.Ng5 Rf8 13.Qf4 Ng6 14.Qf3 Bg4 15.Qe3 h6 16.Bxf7+ Rxf7 17.Nxf7 Kxf7 18.h3 Bd7 19.e5 dxe5 20.dxe5 Be6 21.exf6 Qxf6 22.Rad1 Re8 23.Qxa7 Qg5 24.Qe3 Nf4 25.Qf3 Kg8 26.Kh2 Rf8 27.Ne4 Qh4 28.Qg3 Qh5 29.Rd8 Qf7 30.Rxf8+ Kxf8 31.Nc5 Bc8 32.Qf3 b6 33.Nd3 Nxd3 34.Qxd3 Bd7 35.Qf3 Qxf3 36.gxf3

Kf7 37.Kg3 Be6 38.a4 c6 39.Ra1 Bd5 40.a5 bxa5 41.Rxa5 Kf6 42.b4 g6 43.b5 cxb5 44.Rxb5 Be6 45.h4 Bf5 46.Kf4 g5+ 47.hxg5+ hxg5+ 48.Kg3 Bd7 49.Rb6+ Kf5 50.Rd6 Be6 51.Rd8 Kf6 52.f4 gxf4+ 53.Kxf4 Ke7 54.Rd4 Kf6 55.Rd6 Ke7 56.Ke5 Bh3 57.f4 Bg4 58.Rb6 Bh3 59.f5 Bf1 60.f6+ Kf7 61.Rb7+ 1-0

Hoyt,David (1579) - Dudley,Ian (1647) [B01]

QCT U1800, G/60 Manchester, NH (3), 2016-02-27

1.e4 d5 2.exd5 Qxd5 3.Nc3 Qd8 4.Nf3 Nf6 5.d3 Bg4 6.Be2 Nc6 7.Bg5 e6 8.0-0 Be7 9.a3 a5 10.Re1 0-0 11.Qc1 Rb8 12.Nd1 b5 13.Ne3 Bxf3 14.Bxf3 Nd4 15.Bd1 b4 16.axb4 axb4 17.b3 h6 18.Bh4 g5 19.Bg3 Nd5 20.Nxd5 Qxd5 21.Qb2 Bf6 22.Qc1 Nb5 23.Bf3 Qd4 24.Qd2 Qc3 25.Rad1 Qxd2 26.Rxd2 Bc3 27.Ree2 Bxd2 28.Rxd2 f5 29.Be5 Nd6 30.Re2 g4 31.Bc6 Kf7 32.Re1 Rb6 33.Ba4 Nb5 34.f3 gxf3 35.g3 Na3 36.Bxc7 Rb7 37.Bf4 h5 38.Rc1 Rc8 39.c4 bxc3 40.Kf2 Nb5 41.Be3 e5 42.Kxf3 Nd4+ 43.Bxd4 exd4 44.Ke2 Re7+ 45.Kf2 Re3 46.Bd7 Ra8 47.Bxf5 Ra2+ 48.Kg1 Ree2 49.Bh3 Rxh2 50.Re1 Rxh3 0-1

Kammila,Anish (1050) - Harju,John (1214) [D35]

QCT U1300, G/60 Manchester, NH (3), 2016-02-27

1.d4 d5 2.c4 c6 3.Bf4 e6 4.e3 Bd6 5.Bxd6 Qxd6 6.Nc3 Nf6 7.Nf3 Nbd7 8.Be2 c5 9.cxd5 exd5 10.Nb5 Qb8 11.dxc5 Nxc5 12.Qc1 Nfd7 13.b4 a6 14.bxc5 axb5 15.Bxb5 0-0 16.0-0 Nf6 17.Qc3 Bd7 18.Bxd7 Nxd7 19.Rfd1 Nf6 20.Qc2 Rd8 21.Rab1 Qc7 22.h3 Ra5 23.Rdc1 Rc8 24.Kf1 Rxc5 25.Qxc5 Qxc5 26.Rxc5 Rxc5 27.Rxb7 h6 28.Ra7 Rc1+ 29.Ne1 Ne4 30.Ke2 Kf8 31.a4 Ra1 32.a5 Ra2+ 33.Kf3 Rxf2+ 34.Kg4 g6 35.h4 Re2 36.a6 Rxe3 37.Ra8+ Ke7 38.a7 Ra3 39.Nf3 Nd6 40.h5 Nb5 41.hxg6 fxg6 42.Rb8 Nxa7 43.Rb6 Kf7 44.Ne5+ Kg7 45.Rxg6+ Kh7 46.Kh5 Nc8 47.Rxh6+ Kg7 48.Rg6+ Kh7 49.Ng4 Ne7 50.Nf6+ Kh8 51.Rg4 Ra6 52.Rf4 Kg7 53.Kg5 Ng6 54.Ne8+ Kh8 55.Kh6 Nxf4+ 56.Kg5 Nxg2 57.Kg4 d4 58.Kf3 Ra2 0-1

Chang,Kristy - Weatherbee,Anthony [C15]

QCT U1300, G/60 Manchester, NH (3), 2016-02-27

1.d4 d5 2.e4 e6 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.exd5 Qxd5 5.Nf3 Nc6 6.a3 Bxc3+ 7.bxc3 b6 8.c4 Qd6 9.Be2 Nge7 10.0-0 Bb7 11.Be3 0-0-0 12.c3 h6 13.Ne5 Nxe5 14.dxe5 Qxe5 15.Bd4 Qg5 16.Bf3 e5 17.Bxb7+ Kxb7 18.Qf3+ Kb8 19.Be3 Qg6 20.c5 e4 21.Qg3 Qxg3 22.fxg3 Rd3 23.Bd4 f6 24.cxb6 axb6 25.Rad1 c5 26.Rxd3 exd3 27.Be3 Nd5 28.Bd2 f5 29.c4 Nf6 30.Re1 Rd8 31.Kf2 Ng4+ 32.Kg1 g5 33.h3 Nf6 34.Re6 Ne4 35.Rxb6+ Ka7 36.Rb2 Rd4 37.g4 f4 38.Kf1 Rxc4 39.Ke1 Ra4 40.Rb3 c4 0-1

Seward,Patrick (862) - Gonzalez,Raymond [C01]

QCT U1300, G/60 Manchester, NH (3), 2016-02-27

1.e4 Nf6 2.e5 Nd5 3.d4 e6 4.Nf3 Bb4+ 5.Bd2 b6 6.g3 0-0 7.Bg2 Ba6 8.b3 Nc6 9.c4 Nc3 10.Bxc3 Bxc3+ 11.Nxc3 Na5 12.Qd3 b5 13.Ng5 bxc4 14.Qxh7# 1-0

Jabar,Lori (271) - Harju,David (1167) [C41]

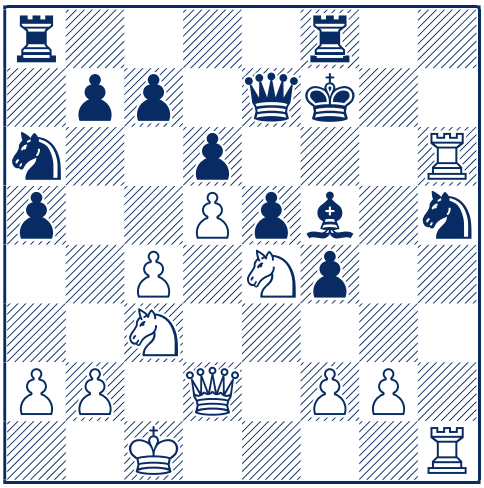
QCT U1300, G/60 Manchester, NH (3), 2016-02-27

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 d6 3.Bc4 Be6 4.Bxe6 fxe6 5.Nc3 Nf6 6.Ng5 Qe7 7.d3 Nc6 8.Be3 0-0-0 9.0-0 h6 10.Nf3 Ng4 11.Qd2 d5 12.h3 Nxe3 13.Qxe3 d4 14.Qd2 dxc3 15.Qxc3 g5 16.Nxe5 Nxe5 17.Qxe5 Rg8 18.c4 Bg7 19.Qb5 Bd4 20.Rab1 g4 21.hxg4 Rxg4 22.Qh5 Rdg8 23.Qxh6 Rxg2+ 24.Kh1 Be3 25.fxe3 b6 26.Rg1 Qg5 27.Qxg5 R2xg5 28.Rxg5 Rxg5 29.Rg1 Rh5+ 30.Kg2 Ra5 31.a3 b5 32.cxb5 Rxb5 33.b4 Rb6 34.Kf3 Ra6 35.Ra1 Rc6 36.Kf4 Rc3 37.d4 Kd7 38.a4 Kd6 39.e5+ Kd5 40.b5 Rc2 41.Ra3 Rf2+ 42.Kg5 Rf5+ 43.Kg6 Kc4 44.Ra1 Kd3 45.Rc1 Kxe3 46.Rxc7 Kxd4 47.Rxa7 Rxe5 48.b6 Rf5 49.b7 Rf8 50.Ra8 Rf4 51.b8Q Rg4+ 52.Kf7 e5 53.Qb4+ Kd5 54.Qxg4 e4 55.Ra5+ Kd4 56.Qd1+ Kc4 57.Qd5+ Kb4 58.Rb5+ Kc3 59.Qxe4 Kd2 60.Rb2+ 1-0

Messenger,Bob (1800) - Hilgendorf,Niccolo (1991) [E70]

QCT U1800, G/60 Manchester, NH (4), 2016-02-27

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.e4 d6 5.Nge2 0-0 6.Ng3 e5 7.d5 a5 8.Be2 Na6 9.h4 Ne8 10.h5 f5 11.hxg6 hxg6 12.exf5 gxf5 13.Bh6 Bxh6 14.Rxh6 Ng7 15.Qd2 f4 16.Nge4 Bf5 17.0-0-0 Qe7 18.Rdh1 Kf7 19.Bh5+ Nxh5



Missed Opportunity (white to move)

20.R6xh5 (As so often is the case, the choice of rook makes all the difference; 20.R1xh5 is decisive. After 20…Ke8, White has the nice shot 21.Rxf5 Rxf5 22.Re6, and after 20…Bxe4 21.Nxe4 Rg8 22.Rh7+ Rg7 23.Rxg7+ Kxg7 24.Qe2, the queen helps her cadre finish the job.) Ke8 21.Qe2 Qf7 22.g3 Kd7 23.gxf4 exf4 24.Ng5 Qe8 remaining moves lost to time trouble 0-1

Tiruveedhula,Maruthi (1318) - McShane,Michael (1389)

QCT U1800, G/60 Manchester, NH (4), 2016-02-27

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 a6 4.Ba4 b5 5.Bb3 Nf6 6.d3 d6 7.c3 h6 8.0-0 Bg4 9.h3 Be6 10.Re1 Qd7 11.d4 exd4 12.cxd4 Bxb3 13.Qxb3 Be7 14.e5 dxe5 15.dxe5 Bb4 16.Nc3 Bxc3 17.bxc3 Nd5 18.Ba3 Nce7 19.Rad1 c6 20.c4 bxc4 21.Qxc4 Rc8 22.Rd2 0-0 23.Bxe7 Qxe7 24.Rde2 Rfe8 25.e6 fxe6 26.Rxe6 Qd7 27.Nd4 Rxe6 28.Rxe6 c5 29.Re5 cxd4 30.Qxd5+ ½-½

Kelley,Nathan (1676) - Burchard,Aidan (1477) [C01]

QCT U1800, G/60 Manchester, NH (4), 2016-02-27

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.exd5 exd5 4.Bf4 Nf6 5.Bd3 c6 6.c3 Bd6 7.Bxd6 Qxd6 8.Nf3 Bg4 9.Nbd2 Nbd7 10.0-0 0-0-0 11.Qc2 Rde8 12.Rfe1 h6 13.h3 Be6 14.Ne5 Re7 15.Ndf3 Rhe8 16.Re2 Qc7 17.Rae1 Nxe5 18.dxe5 Nd7 19.Nd4 Nc5 20.Bf5 g6 21.Nxe6 Nxe6 22.Bxe6+ Rxe6 23.f4 f6 24.exf6 Rxe2 25.Rxe2 Rxe2 26.Qxe2 Qxf4 27.Qe8+ Kc7 28.f7 Qc1+ 29.Kf2 Qd2+ 30.Qe2 Qf4+ 31.Qf3 Qd2+ 32.Kg3 Qg5+ 33.Kh2 Qe5+ 34.Qg3 1-0

Cooper,Karl (1571) - Taggart,James (1738) [C02]

QCT U1800, G/60 Manchester, NH (4), 2016-02-27

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.b3 cxd4 7.cxd4 Bb4+ 8.Ke2 Bd7 9.Ba3 Bxa3 10.Nxa3 Qa6+ 11.Nc4 dxc4 12.Ke1 Qa5+ 13.Ke2 cxb3 14.axb3 Qb6 15.Ke3 Nh6 16.h3 0-0 17.Bc4 f6 18.Ke2 fxe5 19.dxe5 Rad8 20.Qd6 Rfe8 21.Rad1 Bc8 22.Qa3 Rxd1 23.Rxd1 Rd8 24.Rxd8+ Qxd8 25.Qd6 Qxd6 26.exd6 Bd7 27.Ng5 Nf5 28.Nxe6 Nxd6 29.Nc5+ Nxc4 30.Nxd7 N4e5 31.Nc5 b6 32.f4 bxc5 33.fxe5 Kf7 34.Ke3 Ke6 35.Kd2 Nxe5 36.Kc3 Kd5 37.h4 h5 38.Kb2 a5 39.Ka3 c4 40.bxc4+ Kxc4 41.Ka4 remaining moves lost to time trouble 0-1

Perez,Rafael (1175) - Vittum,Greg (994) [A00]

QCT U1300, G/60 Manchester, NH (4), 2016-02-27

1.b4 e5 2.Bb2 d6 3.e3 g6 4.Bc4 d5 5.Bb3 Bg7 6.h3 Ne7 7.Qe2 0-0 8.Nf3 f5 9.c4 f4 10.e4 c6 11.cxd5 cxd5 12.exd5 Nxd5 13.0-0 Re8 14.Qb5 Be6 15.Qxb7 Nd7 16.Bxd5 Rb8 17.Bxe6+ Rxe6 18.Qd5 Qe7 19.a4 Nb6 20.Qb3 Kh8 21.Nc3 Qd6 22.Ne4 Qe7 23.Nc5 Rc6 24.Rfe1 Nc8 25.d4 Qf8 26.Bc3 exd4 27.Nxd4 Rxc5 28.Qa3 Rd5 29.Ne6 Qf7 30.Nxg7 h5 31.Nf5+ Kh7 32.Re5 Rd3 33.Nd4 Qc7 34.Nb5 Qd7 35.Qc1 Nb6 36.Qxf4 Nd5 37.Rxd5 Rxd5 38.Qxb8 Qf7 remaining moves lost to time trouble 1-0

Kammila,Anish (1050) - Harju,David (1167) [A46]

QCT U1300, G/60 Manchester, NH (4), 2016-02-27

1.d4 Nf6 2.Nf3 e6 3.Nc3 b6 4.Bf4 Bb7 5.e3 d5 6.Qd2 Bb4 7.a3 Ne4 8.Qd3 Bxc3+ 9.bxc3 Qd7 10.Ng5 Qc6 11.Nxe4 dxe4 12.Qd2 0-0 13.Be2 Rd8 14.0-0 Nd7 15.Rfd1 Nf6 16.Bg5 Rd7 17.Bxf6 gxf6 18.f3 e5 19.fxe4 f5 20.d5 Qf6 21.Rf1 Kh8 22.Rxf5 Qg6 23.Rxe5 c6 24.Qd4 c5 25.Re8# 1-0

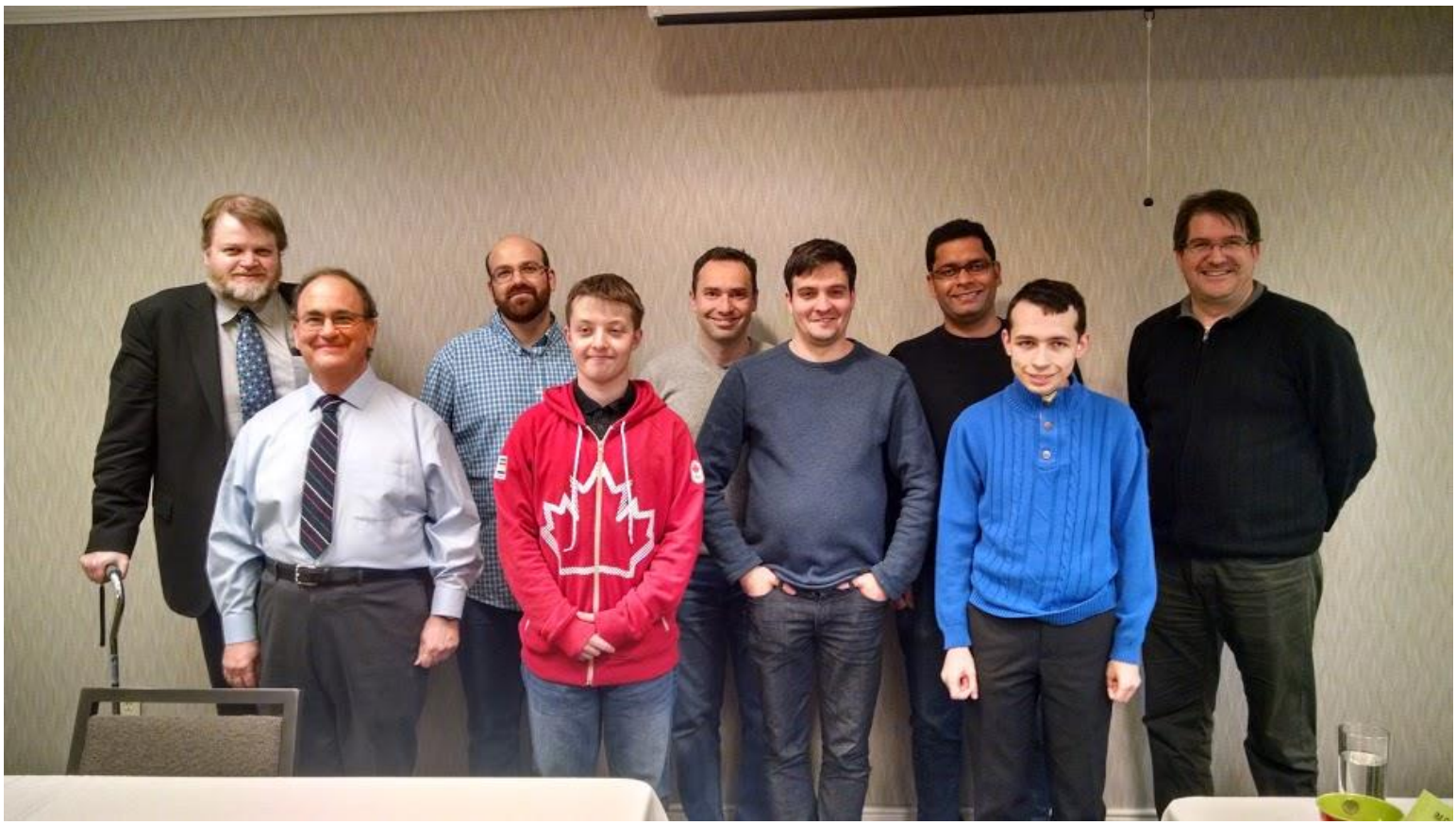
Harju,John (1214) - Burchard,Kyle (881) [C57]

QCT U1300, G/60 Manchester, NH (4), 2016-02-27

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Nf6 4.Ng5 d5 5.exd5 Nxd5 6.Qf3 Nce7 7.Qxf7+ Kd7 8.Bxd5 Qe8 9.Qxe8+ Kxe8 10.Bb3 Nf5 11.c3 b6 12.Nf7 Rg8 13.Nxe5 Ba6 14.Bxg8 Bd6 15.Bc4 Bb7 16.Bb5+ Ke7 17.Nc6+ Kf6 18.0-0 a6 19.Ba4 b5 20.Na5 Be4 21.Bb3 Bc5 22.d4 Bb6 23.Nc6 Bxc6 24.d5 Bd7 25.Re1 Nd4 26.cxd4 Bxd4 27.Nd2 Be8 28.Nf3 Bc5 29.Be3 Bb4 30.Bd4+ Kf7 31.Bc3 Bd6 32.a3 Kg6 33.Bc2+ Kh5 34.Be5 Bg6 35.Bxg6+ hxg6 36.Bxd6 cxd6 37.Re6 Rd8 38.Rae1 g5 39.Nd4 g6 40.Nc6 Rf8 41.g3 Rf3 42.Kg2 Rb3 43.h3 Rxb2 44.Re8 g4 45.Rh8+ Kg5 46.h4+ Kf6 47.Re6+ Kg7 48.Rhe8 Rb3 49.Rxd6 Rf3 50.Ne5 a5 51.Nxf3 gxf3+ 52.Kxf3 Kf7 53.Ra8 1-0

March GM Norm

Manchester – March 2-7, 2016



Alex Relyea (FIDE arbiter), Ken Ballou (International Arbiter), GM Josh Friedel, IM Razvan Preotu, GM Eugene Perelshteyn, IM Denys Shmelov, GM Sriram Jha, GM Aleksandr Lenderman, and Matt Phelps (FIDE arbiter)

The Manchester March GM Norm took place from 2-7 March 2016 in Manchester. New Hampshire native GM Josh Friedel led wire to wire to win with 7/10. No players earned GM norms (though Preotu did recently at the World Open in PA. -ed.). The tournament was directed by Ken Ballou, Alex Relyea, and Matt Phelps for Relyea Chess.

Jha,Sriram (2430) - Friedel,Josh (2519) [E18]

March GM Norm Manchester, NH (1), 2016-03-02

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nf3 b6 4.g3 Bb7 5.Bg2 Be7 6.0-0 0-0 7.Nc3 Ne4 8.Bd2 Bf6 9.Rc1 d6 10.d5 Nxd2 11.Nxd2 e5 12.b4 a5 13.a3 Bg5 14.c5 axb4 15.axb4 bxc5 16.bxc5 Na6 17.cxd6 cxd6 18.Rb1 Bxd2 19.Qxd2 Bc8 20.Ra1 Bd7 21.Ne4 Bf5 22.Qd3 Bxe4 23.Bxe4 Nc5 24.Rxa8 Qxa8 25.Bxh7+ Kh8 26.Qf5 g6 27.Bxg6 fxg6 28.Qxg6 Qxd5 29.Qh6+ Kg8 30.Qg6+ Kh8 31.Qh6+ Kg8 32.Qg6+ ½-½

Lenderman,Aleksandr (2623) - Perelshteyn,Eugene (2524)

March GM Norm Manchester, NH (1), 2016-03-02

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 d5 4.Bg5 Bg7 5.Nf3 Ne4 6.Bf4 Nxc3 7.bxc3 dxc4 8.e3 c5 9.Bxc4 cxd4 10.cxd4 Qa5+ 11.Qd2 Nc6 12.Rb1 0-0 13.Qxa5 Nxa5 14.Bd5 e6 15.Be4 f5 16.Bd3 b6 17.Bd6 Rd8 18.Bc7 Rd7 19.Rc1 Bb7 20.Ke2 Rc8 21.Bg3 Rdd8 22.Bb5 Rxc1 23.Rxc1 Rc8 24.Rxc8+ Bxc8 25.Bc7 Bb7 26.Ne5 Bd5 27.a4 Bxe5 28.Bxe5 Bc4+ 29.Kd1 Kf7 30.Bd6 Bxb5 31.axb5 Ke8 32.Kc2 Kd7 33.Bb4 Nb7 34.Kd3 Nd8 35.e4 Nf7 36.e5 g5 37.Bd2 g4 38.Ke3 Nh8 39.Kf4 h6 40.Kg3 Ng6 41.Bxh6

Ne7 42.Kf4 Ke8 43.Ke3 Nd5+ 44.Kd3 Kf7 45.Bd2 Kg6 46.Kc4 Kf7 47.Bb4 Nf4 48.g3 Nd5 49.Bd6 Ke8 50.Kd3 Kd7 51.Kd2 Kd8 52.Kc2 Kd7 53.Kd3 Kd8 54.Kc4 Kd7 55.Bb4 Ke8 56.Ba3 Kd7 57.Bc1 Ke7 58.Bd2 Kf7 59.Bc1 ½-½

Preotu,Razvan (2468) - Shmelov,Denys (2412) [B76]

March GM Norm Manchester, NH (1), 2016-03-02

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6 6.Be3 Bg7 7.f3 0-0 8.Qd2 Nc6 9.g4 Be6 10.Nxe6 fxe6 11.0-0-0 Ne5 12.Be2 Qc8 13.h4 Nfd7 14.f4 Nc4 15.Bxc4 Qxc4 16.e5 Rad8 17.exd6 Nf6 18.Qd4 Qxd4 19.Bxd4 exd6 20.Rhg1 a6 21.Rde1 Rde8 22.Re2 Rf7 23.a4 Nd7 24.Bxg7 Kxg7 25.Rd1 Rxf4 26.Rxd6 Nc5 27.Rb6 a5 28.Rb5 Rc8 29.Re5 b6 30.Rxb6 Rxg4 31.h5 Kf6 32.Re2 gxh5 33.Rb5 Nxa4 34.Ne4+ Kg7 35.c3 Rc4 36.Rb7+ Kh6 37.Nd6 Rg1+ 38.Kc2 Rf4 39.Nf7+ Kg6 40.Nh8+ Kf5 41.b3 Nxc3 42.Kxc3 Rg3+ 43.Kd2 h4 44.Rf7+ Kg4 45.Rxh7 Rxb3 ½-½

Perelshteyn,Eugene (2524) - Jha,Sriram (2430) [B33]

March GM Norm Manchester, NH (2), 2016-03-03

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 e6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 Nc6 6.Ndb5 d6 7.Bf4 e5 8.Bg5 a6 9.Na3 Be6 10.Nc4 Rc8 11.Nd5 Bxd5 12.Bxf6 gxf6 13.Qxd5 Nd4 14.Bd3 Qe7 15.b4 Qe6 16.0-0 Rg8 17.Qxe6+ fxe6 18.a4 Ke7 19.a5 Rxc4 20.Bxc4 Nf3+ 21.Kh1 Nd2 22.Bd3 Nxf1 23.Rxf1 Bh6 24.Rd1 Rc8 25.c4 f5 26.exf5 exf5 27.g3 e4 28.Be2 Bg7 29.Rd5 Ke6 30.Kg2 Bc3 31.f3 exf3+ 32.Kxf3 Bxb4 33.Bd3 Rf8 34.Bb1 Bc3 35.Ba2 Ke7 36.c5 Bb4 37.cxd6+ Bxd6 38.Bb1 Ke6 39.Ba2 Ke7 40.Bb1 Ke6 41.Ba2 ½-½

Preotu,Razvan (2468) - Lenderman,Aleksandr (2623) [C07]

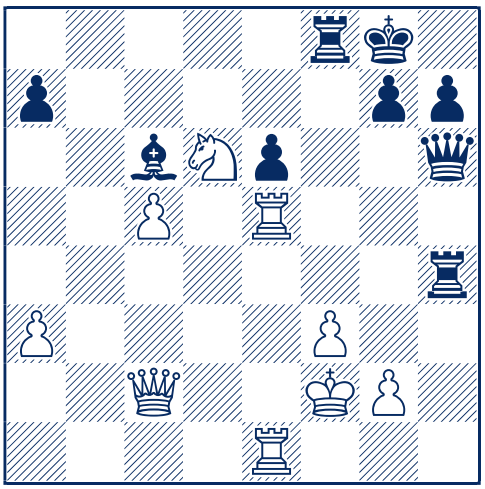
March GM Norm Manchester, NH (2), 2016-03-03

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nd2 c5 4.Ngf3 cxd4 5.exd5 Qxd5 6.Bc4 Qd6 7.0-0 Nf6 8.Nb3 Nc6 9.Nbxd4 Nxd4 10.Nxd4 a6 11.Re1 Qc7 12.Qe2 h6 13.g3 b5 14.Bb3 Bc5 15.Bf4 Qb6 16.c3 Bb7 17.Be5 Bxd4 18.Bxd4 Qc6 19.f3 Qxf3 20.Qxf3 Bxf3 21.Rf1 Be2 22.Rf2 Bd3 23.Bxf6 gxf6 24.Rxf6 Ke7 25.Rf4 Rhd8 26.Rd1 a5 27.a3 Rac8 28.Kf2 a4 29.Ba2 Rc5 30.Rd2 h5 31.Rd4 Rxd4 32.cxd4 Rf5+ 33.Ke3 Bc4 34.Bxc4 bxc4 35.Rc2 Rb5 36.h4 c3 37.bxc3 Rb3 38.Kf4 f6 39.Ke4 Rxa3 40.Kd3 Ra1 41.Kc4 a3 42.Kb3 Rg1 43.Ra2 Rxg3 44.Rxa3 f5 45.Kc4 Rh3 46.d5 Rxh4+ 47.Kc5 exd5 48.Ra6 Rh1 49.Kxd5 h4 50.Ke5 h3 51.Ra7+ Kd8 52.Kf4 Rc1 53.Rh7 Rxc3 54.Kxf5 ½-½

Shmelov,Denys (2412) - Friedel,Josh (2519) [E32]

March GM Norm Manchester, NH (2), 2016-03-03

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.Qc2 0-0 5.e4 d5 6.e5 Ne4 7.Bd3 c5 8.Nf3 cxd4 9.Nxd4 Nd7 10.Bf4 Qb6 11.Nb3 Qc7 12.Bxe4 dxe4 13.a3 Bxc3+ 14.Qxc3 f6 15.h4 b6 16.0-0 fxe5 17.Bg3 Bb7 18.Rfe1 Rf5 19.Nd2 Nc5 20.b4 Nd3 21.Re3 Nf4 22.Nxe4 Rd8 23.Qc2 Rd4 24.Rc1 Qd8 25.c5 bxc5 26.bxc5 Bc6 27.Nd6 Rf8 28.f3 Qf6 29.Rce1 Qh6 30.Nc4 Rfd8 31.Nd6 Ng6 32.Bxe5 Nxe5 33.Rxe5 Rxh4 34.Kf2 Rf8



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35.R1e3 (Black's attack looks menacing, but White has a tricky save with 35.Rf5! Rb8 [not 35…exf5?? 36.Qb3+] 36.Qe2 Rh2 37.Rf4 Qxf4 38.Qxe6+ Kh8 39.Nf7+ Kg8 40.Nh6+ Kh8 41.Nf7+ forcing a draw by perpetual check) 35…Bxf3 36.Nf5? Bg4 0-1

Friedel,Josh (2519) - Perelshteyn,Eugene (2524) [A36]

March GM Norm Manchester, NH (3), 2016-03-03

1.c4 c5 2.g3 g6 3.Bg2 Bg7 4.Nc3 Nc6 5.a3 d6 6.Rb1 a5 7.e3 e5 8.Nge2 Nge7 9.0-0 h5 10.Nd5 h4 11.Nec3 Nxd5 12.Nxd5 h3 13.Bh1 0-0 14.b4 axb4 15.axb4 cxb4 16.Nxb4 Be6 17.Nd5 Ra7 18.Rb5 Ne7 19.Qb3 Nxd5 20.Bxd5 Bxd5 21.Rxd5 e4 22.Bb2 Bxb2 23.Qxb2 Qc8 24.Qf6 Qxc4 25.Rh5 gxh5 26.Qg5+ ½-½

Jha,Sriram (2430) - Preotu,Razvan (2468) [E63]

March GM Norm Manchester, NH (3), 2016-03-03

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.g3 Bg7 4.Bg2 0-0 5.Nf3 d6 6.0-0 Nc6 7.Nc3 a6 8.Bf4 Rb8 9.Rc1 h6 10.h3 Na5 11.Nd5 Nh5 12.Bd2 Nc6 13.g4 Nf6 14.Nxf6+ exf6 15.d5 Ne5 16.Nd4 f5 17.gxf5 gxf5 18.Be3 Ng6 19.Qd2 f4 20.Bxf4 Qh4 21.e3 Nxf4 22.exf4 Qf6 23.Rfd1 Re8 24.Rc3 Bd7 25.Rg3 Kh8 26.b3 Re7 27.Bf3 Rbe8 28.Kg2 Bf5 29.Nxf5 Qxf5 30.Bg4 Qf6 31.Re3 Qb2 32.Qxb2 Bxb2 33.Rde1 Rxe3 34.fxe3 Bc3 35.Re2 Kg7 36.Kf3 a5 37.a3 b6 38.Bd7 Re7 39.Rg2+ Kf8 40.Bc6 f5 41.Bb7 Re8 42.h4 Kf7 43.h5 Rg8 44.Rxg8 Kxg8 45.Bc8 Bb2 46.c5 bxc5 47.a4 Kf7 48.Bxf5 Kf6 49.Bg6 Bc1 50.Ke2 Ke7 51.Kd3 Kf6 52.Be4 Ke7 53.Bf5 Kf6 54.Be6 Ke7 55.f5 Kf6 56.e4 Ke5 57.Kc4 Bd2 58.Kb5 Be1 59.Kc6 Bg3 60.Kxc7 Bf4 61.Kb6 Bd2 62.Kc6 Bf4 63.Bc8 Bg3 64.Ba6 Bf4 65.Bd3 Bg5 66.Bc2 Bh4 67.Kd7 Bg5 68.Ke8 Kf6 69.Kf8 Bf4 70.Ke8 Bg5 71.Kd7 Ke5 72.Kc6 Bh4 73.Kb5 Bd8 74.Bb1 Kf6 75.Bd3 Ke5 76.Bc2 Kf6 77.Kc6 Ke5 78.Kd7 Bg5 79.Ke8 Kf6 80.Bd3 Bh4 81.Bb5 Bg5 82.Bd3 Bh4 83.Bb5 Bg5 84.Bd3 ½-½

Lenderman,Aleksandr (2623) - Shmelov,Denys (2412) [D82]

March GM Norm Manchester, NH (3), 2016-03-03

1.c4 Nf6 2.d4 g6 3.Nc3 d5 4.Bf4 Bg7 5.e3 c5 6.dxc5 Qa5 7.Rc1 Ne4 8.cxd5 Nd7 9.Nge2 Ndxc5 10.f3 Nxc3 11.Nxc3 0-0 12.Qd2 Rd8 13.e4 e6 14.Nb5 Qxd2+ 15.Kxd2 Na6 16.d6 Bxb2 17.Rb1 Bg7 18.e5 f6 19.exf6 Bxf6 20.Bc4 Nc5 21.Be3 Na6 22.Ke2 Kg7 23.Nxa7 Rxd6 24.Nxc8 Rxc8 25.Rxb7+ Kh8 26.Bb3 Nb8 27.Rc1 Rdc6 28.Rxc6 Nxc6 29.Bxe6 Re8 30.Bd7 Na5 31.Bxe8 1-0

Friedel,Josh (2519) - Lenderman,Aleksandr (2623) [D10]

March GM Norm Manchester, NH (4), 2016-03-04

1.d4 d5 2.c4 c6 3.cxd5 cxd5 4.Nc3 Nf6 5.Bf4 Nc6 6.e3 Bg4 7.f3 Bd7 8.g4 e6 9.Bd3 Qb6 10.Nge2 Nb4 11.Bb1 Bd6 12.Bg3 Rc8 13.Kf2 h5 14.g5 Ng8 15.a3 Na6 16.Bxd6 Qxd6 17.Nf4 Ne7 18.Nd3 f6 19.Qg1 Kf7 20.Qg3 Nf5 21.Qxd6 Nxd6 22.Rg1 Nc4 23.Ne2 Nd2 24.Ndf4 Nxb1 25.Raxb1 Rc2 26.gxf6 gxf6 27.Rgc1 Rxc1 28.Rxc1 h4 29.Nd3 Bb5 30.Nef4 Bc6 31.b4 Bb5 32.e4 dxe4 33.fxe4 Rg8 34.e5 Rg4 35.Ke3 f5 36.Nc5 Nxc5 37.Rxc5 Bc6 38.b5 Bh1 39.Rc7+ Ke8 40.Nxe6 Re4+ 41.Kf2 Rg4 42.Rg7 Be4 43.Ke3 Rxg7 44.Nxg7+ Kf7 45.Nh5 Bc2 46.d5 Ba4 47.b6 axb6 48.Kf4 Bb3 49.e6+ Kg6 50.Ke5 Kxh5 51.d6 f4 52.d7 1-0

Jha,Sriram (2430) - Shmelov,Denys (2412) [D71]

March GM Norm Manchester, NH (4), 2016-03-04

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.g3 c6 4.Nf3 d5 5.Qb3 dxc4 6.Qxc4 Bg7 7.Bg2 0-0 8.0-0 b5 9.Qc2 Bf5 10.Qd1 Qb6 11.Nc3 Rd8 12.Qb3 h6 13.Re1 Na6 14.e4 Be6 15.Qd1 Rac8 16.h3 b4 17.Nb1 Nc7 18.Qc2 Qa5 19.Bd2 Nb5 20.Qc5 Nd7 21.Qxb4 Qxb4 22.Bxb4 Nxd4 23.Nxd4 Bxd4 24.Nc3 c5 25.Ba5 Rf8 26.Nd5 Bxd5 27.exd5 Bxb2 28.Rab1 Bf6 29.Rb7 Ne5 30.Bc7 Nc4 ½-½

Perelshteyn,Eugene (2524) - Preotu,Razvan (2468) [B53]

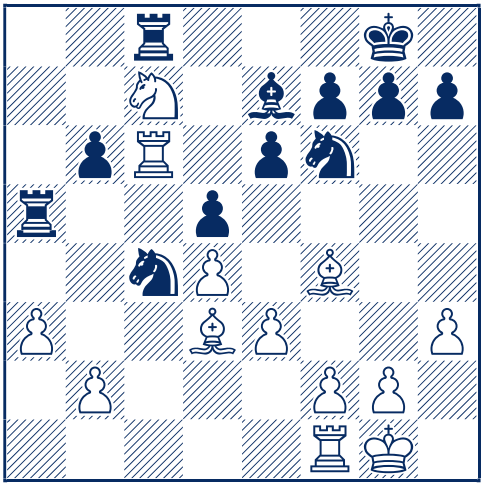
March GM Norm Manchester, NH (4), 2016-03-04

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Qxd4 Nc6 5.Bb5 Bd7 6.Qd3 Nf6 7.c4 g6 8.0-0 Bg7 9.Nc3 0-0 10.h3 a6 11.Bxc6 Bxc6 12.Nd4 Rc8 13.Be3 Nd7 14.Rac1 e6 15.Rfd1 Qe7 16.Qd2 Nc5 17.b4 Bxd4 18.Qxd4 Na4 19.Nxa4 Bxa4 20.Qxd6 Rfe8 21.Qxe7 Rxe7 22.Rd6 e5 23.Bg5 Rd7 24.Rxd7 Bxd7 25.Bf6 Be6 26.c5 Bxa2 27.Rd1 Be6 28.Bxe5 f5 29.Rd6 Re8 30.exf5 Bxf5 31.f4 Kf7 32.g4 Be4 33.Kf2 Re6 34.Rd8 Re8 35.Rd2 Bc6 36.Kg3 g5 37.h4 gxf4+ 38.Kxf4 Rf8 39.g5 Kg6+ 40.Bf6 Re8 41.h5+ Kxh5 42.Rh2+ Kg6 43.Rh6+ Kf7 44.Rxh7+ Ke6 45.Rc7 Bd5 46.Rh7 Bc6 47.Rh6 Kd5 48.g6 Kc4 49.g7 Bd5 50.Rh8 Bg8 51.Be7 Kb5 52.Bf8 Bb3 53.Rh6 1-0

Lenderman,Aleksandr (2623) - Jha,Sriram (2430) [A50]

March GM Norm Manchester, NH (5), 2016-03-04

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 c6 3.Bf4 d5 4.e3 e6 5.Nc3 Nbd7 6.Nf3 Be7 7.h3 0-0 8.a3 b6 9.cxd5 cxd5 10.Nb5 Ne8 11.Rc1 Bb7 12.Bd3 a6 13.Nc7 Ra7 14.Qa4 Ndf6 15.0-0 Nd6 16.Ne5 Qb8 17.Nc6 Bxc6 18.Qxc6 Rc8 19.Nxa6 Qa8 20.Qxa8 Raxa8 21.Nc7 Ra5 22.Rc6 Nc4



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23.Nxd5 1-0

Preotu,Razvan (2468) - Friedel,Josh (2519) [C95]

March GM Norm Manchester, NH (5), 2016-03-04

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 a6 4.Ba4 Nf6 5.0-0 Be7 6.Re1 b5 7.Bb3 d6 8.c3 0-0 9.h3 Nb8 10.d4 Nbd7 11.Nbd2 Bb7 12.Bc2 Re8 13.Nf1 Bf8 14.Ng3 g6 15.a4 Nb6 16.b3 bxa4 17.bxa4 a5 18.Bd3 Qc8 19.d5 c6 20.Be3 Nbd7 21.c4 Nc5 22.Bxc5 dxc5 23.Qc2 Rb8 24.Rab1 Qc7 25.Ne2 Ba6 26.Rxb8 Rxb8 27.dxc6 Bd6 28.Nc3 Qxc6 29.Nd2 Rb4 30.Nb5 Nd7 31.Nb1 Bxb5 32.axb5 Qa8 33.Nc3 Nb6 34.Na2 Ra4 35.Nc3 Rb4 36.Na2 Ra4 37.Rd1 Bf8 38.Nc3 Rb4 39.Na2 Ra4 40.Bf1 Qc8 41.Nc3 Rb4 42.Qa2 a4 43.Ra1 Qa8 44.Qc2 h5 45.Na2 Rb3 46.Nc3 Rb4 47.Ra3 Qd8 48.Nd5 Nxd5 49.exd5 Qa5 50.Bd3 e4 51.Bf1 f5 52.g4 Bd6 53.gxf5 gxf5 54.Qd1 Qa7 55.Bg2 h4 56.Ra1 a3 57.Qc1 Rb3 58.Qh6 Bf8 59.Qa6 Qg7 60.Rf1 f4 61.Kh1 f3 0-1

Shmelov,Denys (2412) - Perelshteyn,Eugene (2524) [E32]

March GM Norm Manchester, NH (5), 2016-03-04

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.Qc2 d6 5.Bg5 Nbd7 6.Nf3 h6 7.Bh4 c5 8.e3 b6 9.0-0-0 Bxc3 10.Qxc3 Bb7 11.Bd3 0-0 12.Kb1 Rc8 13.d5 b5 14.e4 bxc4 15.Bxc4 exd5 16.exd5 Qb6 17.a3 Rfe8 18.Rhe1 Rxe1 19.Nxe1 Ba6 20.Bxa6 Qxa6 21.Bxf6 Nxf6 22.Nc2 Qa4 23.f3 Re8 24.Rd2 Re5 25.Ne3 Qf4 26.Nc4 Re1+ 27.Ka2 Qxh2 28.Qa5 Qf4 29.Qc3 h5 30.Rc2 Rd1 31.Qa5 Nxd5 32.Qxa7 Qf5 33.Nxd6 Qe6 34.Qb8+ Kh7 35.Nc4 Qa6 0-1

Friedel,Josh (2519) - Jha,Sriram (2430) [D15]

March GM Norm Manchester, NH (6), 2016-03-05

1.d4 d5 2.c4 c6 3.Nf3 Nf6 4.Nc3 a6 5.g3 b5 6.c5 g6 7.Bg2 Bg7 8.0-0 0-0 9.Ne5 Ng4 10.Nxg4 Bxg4 11.h3 Be6 12.Re1 f5 13.Bf4 Nd7 14.Qd2 Bf7 15.Bh6 Bxh6 16.Qxh6 e5 17.e3 Qf6 18.Ne2 Rfe8 19.h4 a5 20.Rac1 e4 21.Bh3 Nf8 22.Kg2 Qg7 23.Qxg7+ Kxg7 24.Rh1 Be6 25.Nf4 Bd7 26.Rcg1 Ne6 27.Kf1 h5 ½-½

Perelshteyn,Eugene (2524) - Lenderman,Aleksandr (2623)

March GM Norm Manchester, NH (6), 2016-03-05

1.e4 e6 2.f4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.Nf3 Nc6 5.c3 Nh6 6.Na3 Be7 7.Nc2 0-0 8.d4 cxd4 9.cxd4 Qb6 10.Bd3 Bd7 11.0-0 Rac8 12.Kh1 f6 13.exf6 Bxf6 14.Ne5 Be8 15.b3 Be7 16.Be3 Nf5 17.Bg1 Nb4 18.Nxb4 Qxb4 19.Bxf5 Rxf5 20.Rc1 Rxc1 21.Qxc1 Rf8 22.Re1 Qa5 23.Re2 Ba3 24.Qc2 Qa6 25.Be3 Bd6 26.h3 Bxe5 27.fxe5 Bg6 28.Qd2 Rc8 29.Qe1 Bc2 30.Rf2 Qxa2 31.b4 Qb3 32.Kh2 Be4 33.Bg5 Qd3 34.Qe3 Qxe3 35.Bxe3 Rc3 36.Bg5 h6 37.Bf4 Rb3 38.Bd2 Rd3 39.Be1 Rxd4 40.Ra2 a6 41.Bd2 Rd3 42.Rb2 d4 43.Kg1 Rg3 44.Bf4 Rc3 45.Bd2 Ra3 46.Kf2 Kf7 47.Bc1 Ra1 48.Bf4 g5 49.Bg3 Rc1 50.h4 Kg6 51.hxg5 hxg5 52.Rd2 Rc4 53.Rb2 Kf5 54.Bh2 Kg4 55.Ke2 Bxg2 56.Kd3 Bf1+ 57.Ke4 d3+ 58.Ke3 Rc2 0-1

Shmelov,Denys (2412) - Preotu,Razvan (2468) [E98]

March GM Norm Manchester, NH (6), 2016-03-05

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.e4 d6 5.Nf3 0-0 6.Be2 e5 7.0-0 Nc6 8.d5 Ne7 9.Ne1 Nd7 10.Be3 f5 11.f3 f4 12.Bf2 g5 13.Nd3

Nf6 14.Rc1 Ng6 15.c5 Rf7 16.Kh1 Bf8 17.a4 h5 18.cxd6 cxd6 19.Nb5 g4 20.Nxa7 Bd7 21.Nb5 g3 22.Bg1 gxh2 23.Bf2 h4 24.Nc7 Nh5 25.Ne6 Bxe6 26.dxe6 Rg7 27.Qb3 Kh8 28.e7 Qxe7 29.Kxh2 Ng3 30.Rc2 h3 31.gxh3 Nh4 32.Ne1 Rh7 33.Rg1 Nhf5 34.Bf1 Nxf1+ 35.Rxf1 Ng3 36.Bxg3 Qd7 37.h4 fxg3+ 38.Kxg3 Bh6 39.Kf2 Qh3 40.Ke2 Qxh4 41.Qe6 Rg7 42.Rf2 Qf4 43.Kd1 Kh7 44.b3 d5 45.Qf5+ Qxf5 46.exf5 Rf8 47.Rc5 ½-½

Friedel,Josh (2519) - Shmelov,Denys (2412) [D17]

March GM Norm Manchester, NH (7), 2016-03-05

1.c4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.Nf3 Nf6 4.Nc3 dxc4 5.a4 Bf5 6.Nh4 Bg4 7.h3 Bh5 8.g4 Bg6 9.Nxg6 hxg6 10.e4 e6 11.g5 Nh5 12.Bxc4 Be7 13.Rg1 Qd6 14.e5 Qd7 15.a5 Na6 16.Be3 Nb4 17.Qb3 Kf8 18.Be2 Kg8 19.Ra4 Nd5 20.Nxd5 cxd5 21.Ra1 Rc8 22.h4 a6 23.f4 Rc6 24.Kf2 Kh7 25.Qd3 Kg8 26.Rgc1 Bb4 27.Rxc6 Qxc6 28.Qb3 Be7 29.Rc1 Qd7 30.Qc2 Bd8 31.b4 Qe7 32.Qc5 Kh7 33.Qxe7 Bxe7 34.Bd2 Nxf4 35.Bxf4 Bxb4 36.Rc7 Rf8 37.Rxb7 Bxa5 38.Bxa6 Ra8 39.Bb5 Kg8 40.Bd7 Bc3 41.Be3 Ra2+ 42.Kf3 Ra8 43.Ke2 Ba5 44.h5 1-0

Jha,Sriram (2430) - Perelshteyn,Eugene (2524) [D71]

March GM Norm Manchester, NH (7), 2016-03-05

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.g3 Bg7 4.Bg2 0-0 5.Nf3 d6 6.0-0 c6 7.Nc3 Qb6 8.b3 e5 9.e3 Re8 10.Bb2 e4 11.Nd2 d5 12.f3 exf3 13.Qxf3 Be6 14.cxd5 cxd5 15.Na4 Qb4 16.Bc3 Qe7 17.Rae1 Nc6 18.Nc5 Bf5 19.e4 Nxe4 20.Ncxe4 dxe4 21.Nxe4 Nxd4 22.Qf2 Rad8 23.Kh1 h5 24.Qb2 b6 25.Nf2 Qf8 26.Rxe8 Qxe8 27.Re1 Qf8 28.Rd1 Ne6 29.Bxg7 Qxg7 30.Rxd8+ Nxd8 31.Qxg7+ Kxg7 32.Be4 Kf6 33.Kg2 Bxe4+ 34.Nxe4+ Ke5 35.Nc3 Nc6 36.Kf3 Kd4 37.Nb5+ Kd3 38.Kf4 f6 39.h4 a5 40.Nc7 Ne7 41.Kf3 Kc3 42.Na8 Nc8 43.Ke4 Kb2 44.Kd4 Kxa2 45.Kc3 b5 46.b4 a4 47.Nc7 Nd6 48.Kc2 Ka3 49.Nd5 Ne4 50.Nf4 Kxb4 51.Nxg6 Nxg3 0-1

Lenderman,Aleksandr (2623) - Preotu,Razvan (2468) [A61]

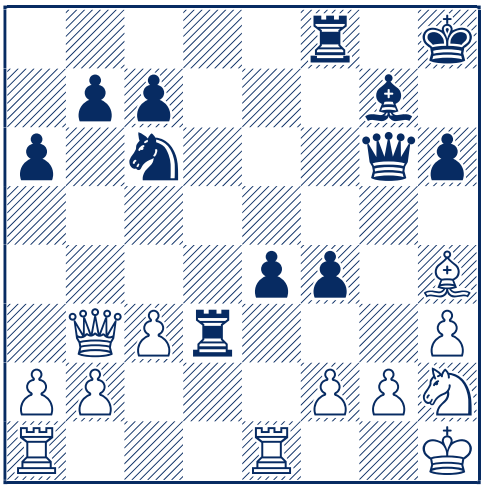
March GM Norm Manchester, NH (7), 2016-03-05

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 c5 3.d5 e6 4.Nc3 exd5 5.cxd5 d6 6.Nf3 g6 7.Bf4 a6 8.a4 Bg7 9.h3 0-0 10.e3 Ne8 11.Be2 Nd7 12.0-0 Ne5 13.Bxe5 dxe5 14.a5 Nd6 15.Nd2 Bf5 16.e4 Bd7 17.Nc4 Qe7 18.Nxd6 Qxd6 19.Na4 Bxa4 20.Rxa4 Rfc8 21.Qb3 Rab8 22.Rc1 Bf8 23.Qe3 Qf6 24.g3 Bd6 25.b3 Rf8 26.Rf1 Qg7 27.Bd3 Kh8 28.Qf3 Rbd8 29.Kg2 Qh6 30.Rd1 Rd7 31.Ra2 f6 32.Qg4 Rff7 33.h4 Rd8 34.Rh1 Qf8 35.h5 g5 36.h6 Qe8 37.Be2 Qd7 38.Qxd7 Rdxd7 39.Bg4 Rc7 40.Rc2 Rfe7 41.Be6 1-0

Perelshteyn,Eugene (2524) - Friedel,Josh (2519) [C75]

March GM Norm Manchester, NH (8), 2016-03-06

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 a6 4.Ba4 d6 5.c3 Bd7 6.0-0 g6 7.d4 Bg7 8.h3 Nf6 9.dxe5 dxe5 10.Bc2 0-0 11.Bg5 h6 12.Bh4 Qe8 13.Nbd2 Nh5 14.Nc4 Be6 15.Ne3 f5 16.exf5 gxf5 17.Re1 Nf4 18.Bb3 e4 19.Nd5 Bxd5 20.Bxd5+ Kh8 21.Bg3 Nxd5 22.Qxd5 Rd8 23.Qb3 f4 24.Bh4 Qg6 25.Nh2 Rd3 26.Kh1



(black to move)

26…Nd4! 27.Qxb7 Nf5 (The natural 27…Nc2 is also strong.) 28.Qxe4 Nxh4 29.Qxg6 Nxg6 30.Re6 Nh4 31.Rxa6 Rd2 32.Rf1 Rxb2 33.Rc6 Rf7 34.a4 Ra2 35.Rc4 Kh7 36.Ng4 h5 37.Nh2 Bf8 38.g3 Ng6 39.Nf3 Kh6 40.g4 Bd6 41.Rd4 hxg4 42.hxg4 Ne5 43.Nxe5 Bxe5 44.Rd5 Bxc3 45.Kg2 Rxa4 46.Rh1+ Kg6 47.Rhh5 Bf6 48.Rhf5 Be7 0-1

Preotu,Razvan (2468) - Jha,Sriram (2430) [C88]

March GM Norm Manchester, NH (8), 2016-03-06

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 a6 4.Ba4 Nf6 5.0-0 Be7 6.Re1 b5 7.Bb3 d6 8.c3 Na5 9.Bc2 c5 10.d4 Qc7 11.d5 0-0 12.b3 Bd7 13.Nbd2 c4 14.Ba3 Rfe8 15.Rc1 cxb3 16.Bxb3 Qb6 17.c4 b4 18.c5 dxc5 19.Nxe5 bxa3 20.Ndc4 Nxc4 21.Nxc4 Qb8 22.e5 Ng4 23.Re4 Nh6 24.Qf3 Bf5 25.Ree1 Qb4 26.e6 fxe6 27.Ne5 Bg5 28.Rc3 Bd2 29.Rc4 Qb7 30.Rd1 Bb4 31.Rf4 Kh8 32.g4 g5 33.gxf5 gxf4 34.f6 Rg8+ 35.Kh1 c4 36.Bxc4 Qc7 37.Nc6 Raf8 38.dxe6 Rxf6 39.Rd7 Rfg6 40.h4 Rg1+ 41.Kh2 Ng4+ 42.Kxg1 Ne5+ 43.Kf1 Rg1+ 0-1

Shmelov,Denys (2412) - Lenderman,Aleksandr (2623) [D36]

March GM Norm Manchester, NH (8), 2016-03-06

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 d5 4.cxd5 exd5 5.Bg5 c6 6.Qc2 Be7 7.e3 Nbd7 8.Bd3 Nh5 9.Bxe7 Qxe7 10.Nge2 Nb6 11.0-0-0 Bd7 12.Kb1 0-0-0 13.h3 g6 14.Nc1 Ng7 15.Na4 Bf5 16.Ka1 Kb8 17.Nc5 Rhe8 18.Rhe1 Ka8 19.Qc3 Bxd3 20.N1xd3 Nf5 21.g3 Nd6 22.h4 Qc7 23.Qc2 Re7 24.b3 Rde8 25.Rc1 Qc8 26.Nf4 Nd7 27.Nxd7 Qxd7 28.Nd3 f6 29.Rh1 Qg4 30.Qd1 Qe6 31.Qf3 Rf7 32.Nc5 Qe7 33.Rc2 h6 34.Rcc1 Ref8 35.Qe2 Rh8 36.Qf3 Rfh7 37.Rc2 Rc8 38.Rhc1 g5 39.Rh1 Rch8 40.Rcc1 a6 41.Rc2 Ka7 42.Rcc1 Qf7 43.Qe2 Qe8 44.Qf3 Qg6 45.Qe2 Rc8 46.Qc2 Qxc2 47.Rxc2 Rch8 48.Rcc1 Nf5 49.Nd3 Nd6 50.Kb2 Ne4 51.Kc2 Kb6 52.Kd1 Kc7 53.Ke2 Kd6 54.Nc5 Nxc5 55.Rxc5 f5 56.Kf3 g4+ 57.Ke2 h5 58.Rhc1 Rc7 59.b4 Ra8 60.R1c2 Ra7 61.R5c3 Rc8 62.a4 b6 63.Rb3 Rcc7 64.Rbc3 Ra8 65.Kd3 a5 66.b5 c5 67.Rc1 Rac8 68.R3c2 Re7 69.Rc3 Re4 70.R3c2 c4+ 71.Kd2 Ke6 72.Rg1 Kf6 73.Rc3 Re7 74.Rg2 Rg8 75.Ra3 Rge8 76.Rc3 Rg8 77.Ra3 Rge8 ½-½

GM Josh Friedel vs IM Razvan Preotu

Friedel,Josh (2519) - Preotu,Razvan (2468) [A37]

March GM Norm Manchester, NH (9), 2016-03-06

1.c4 c5 2.g3 Nc6 3.Bg2 g6 4.Nc3 Bg7 5.Nf3 d6 6.0-0 e5 7.a3 Nge7 8.Rb1 a5 9.d3 0-0 10.Bg5 f6 11.Bd2 Be6 12.Na4 Rb8 13.b4 axb4 14.axb4 b6 15.Ne1 Qd7 16.Nc2 Nd4 17.Nc3 f5 18.Bg5 Nec6 19.b5 Nb4 20.Nxb4 cxb4 21.Nd5 f4 22.Ne7+ Kh8 23.Bc6 Qc7 24.Rxb4 Nxc6 25.Nxc6 h6 26.Nxb8 Qxb8 27.Be7 Rf7 28.Bh4 g5 29.Bxg5 hxg5 30.Ra4 e4 31.dxe4 Be5 32.Qd3 Qf8 33.Qa3 Qg7 34.Rd1 Qf6 35.Ra8+ Kg7 36.Ra7 Bxc4 37.Rxf7+ Qxf7 38.Qf3 fxg3 39.hxg3 Qxf3 40.exf3 Be2 41.Rc1 Bd4 42.f4 g4 43.Rc7+ Kf6 44.e5+ dxe5 45.fxe5+ Ke6 46.Rg7 Bxe5 47.Rg8 Kd5 48.Rg5 Ke4 49.Kg2 Bd4 50.Rh5 Kd3 51.Kh2 Kc4 52.Rh4 Bf3 53.Rh5 Bc5 0-1

Jha,Sriram (2430) - Lenderman,Aleksandr (2623) [A40]

March GM Norm Manchester, NH (9), 2016-03-06

1.d4 e6 2.c4 b6 3.a3 Bb7 4.Nc3 f5 5.d5 Nf6 6.g3 Na6 7.Bg2 Nc5 8.Nh3 Bd6 9.0-0 0-0 10.Nb5 Be5 11.Bf4 d6 12.Bxe5 dxe5 13.b4 Nce4 14.f3 Nd6 15.Nxd6 Qxd6 16.e4 exd5 17.cxd5 Ba6 18.Re1 fxe4 19.fxe4 Bc8 20.Nf2 a5 21.Qd2 Bd7 22.Nd3 Bb5 23.Nf2 axb4 24.axb4 Bc4 25.Bf1 Rxa1 26.Rxa1 Bxf1 27.Rxf1 c6 28.Rd1 cxd5 29.exd5 Rd8 30.Qb2 Rd7 31.Re1 Re7 32.Nd3 e4 33.Nf4 g5 34.Ng2 Nxd5 35.Qd2 Re5 36.Qd4 Qe6 37.Ne3 Nxe3 38.Rxe3 Kf7 39.Qd1 Kg6 40.Qd4 b5 41.Kg2 h6 42.Kg1 Kf5 43.h3 h5 44.Qd1 Kg6 45.Qd4 Kf5 46.Qd1 Qb6 47.Kf2 Kg6 48.Qd7 Qf6+ 49.Ke2 Rf5 50.Qe8+ Kg7 51.Qxe4 Qb2+ 52.Ke1

Qa1+ 53.Ke2 Qa2+ 54.Ke1 Qf2+ 55.Kd1 Qf1+ 56.Kd2 Rf2+ 57.Re2 Kh6 58.h4 Rxe2+ 59.Qxe2 Qf5 60.Qe7 ½-½

GM Sriram Jha vs GM Aleksandr Lenderman

Perelshteyn,Eugene (2524) - Shmelov,Denys (2412) [B13]

March GM Norm Manchester, NH (9), 2016-03-06

1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.exd5 cxd5 4.Bd3 Nc6 5.c3 Qc7 6.Ne2 Bg4 7.0-0 Nf6 8.f3 Bd7 9.Re1 e5 10.dxe5 Nxe5 11.Bf4 Bd6 12.Bxe5 Bxe5 13.f4 Bd6 14.Nd4+ Kf8 15.g3 h5 16.h4 Bg4 17.Qc2 Nd7 18.Nd2 Nc5 19.Nf1 g5 20.hxg5 h4 21.Bf5 Bxf5 22.Qxf5 Kg8 23.Ne3 1-0

GM Eugene Perelshteyn vs IM Denys Shmelov

Lenderman,Aleksandr (2623) - Friedel,Josh (2519) [D02]

March GM Norm Manchester, NH (10), 2016-03-07

1.d4 d5 2.Nf3 Nf6 3.g3 Bf5 4.Bg2 e6 5.c4 c6 6.Nc3 h6 7.Qb3 Qb6 8.c5 Qa6 9.Bf1 Be4 10.e3 Qa5 11.Qxb7 Bxf3 12.Qxa8 Qc7 13.Rg1 Bxc5 14.Ba6 0-0 15.Qb7 Nxa6 16.Qxc7 Nxc7 17.dxc5 e5 18.Nb1 Ne4 19.Nd2 Nxd2 20.Bxd2 Ne6 21.Bb4 Rb8 22.Ba3 Ng5 23.Kd2 Ne4+ 24.Kc2 h5 25.Rgf1 g5 26.b4 f6 ½-½

Preotu,Razvan (2468) - Perelshteyn,Eugene (2524) [B31]

March GM Norm Manchester, NH (10), 2016-03-07

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 g6 4.Bxc6 dxc6 5.d3 Bg7 6.h3 Nh6 7.Nc3 f6 8.Be3 b6 9.Qd2 Nf7 10.0-0-0 e5 11.g4 Be6 12.Ng1 Qd7 13.Nge2 0-0-0 14.f4 exf4 15.Nxf4 Ne5 16.Qg2 Bf7 17.Kb1 Rhe8 18.Rhf1 Kb7 19.Bc1 Rh8 20.Nfe2 Rdf8 21.Bf4 Be6 22.d4 cxd4 23.Nxd4 Qe7 24.Nxe6 Qxe6 25.Rd2 Rd8 26.Rfd1 Nf7 27.a4 Rxd2 28.Qxd2 Rd8 29.Qe2 Rxd1+ 30.Qxd1 Bf8 31.Qd3 Bb4 32.Ne2 Bc5 33.a5 bxa5 34.Nd4 Qe7 35.Qb3+ Bb6 36.Nxc6 Qxe4 37.Nxa5+ Ka6 38.Nc4 Qe1+ 39.Bc1 Qe8 40.Nxb6 axb6 41.Be3 b5 42.Qa2+ Kb7 43.Qd5+ Kc8 44.Qc5+ Kb7 45.Qb6+ Kc8 46.Qa6+ Kd8 47.Bb6+ Ke7 48.Bc5+ Kd8 49.Qxf6+ Kd7 50.Qd4+ Kc6 51.Bb4 Qd7 52.Qc5+ Kb7 53.b3 Nd8 54.Bc3 Ne6 55.Qe5 Kc6 56.Kb2 Qd5 57.Qh8 Qd7 58.Qa8+ Kd6 59.Qe4 Kc5 60.b4+ Kb6 61.Bd2 Qc6 62.Be3+ Kb7 63.Qe5 Qd7 64.Qh8 Qe7 65.Bd2 Qd7 66.Be3 Qe7 67.Kb3 Qf7 68.Qe5 Nc7+ 69.Kb2 Nd5 70.Bc5 Qd7 71.Qe4 Qc6 72.Kb3 Nc7 73.Qxc6+ Kxc6 74.c4 h5 75.g5 Ne6 76.Be3 Ng7 77.Kc3 Nf5 78.Bf2 Nd6 79.cxb5+ Nxb5+ 80.Kc4 Na3+ 81.Kd4 Nc2+ 82.Ke5 Nxb4 83.Kf6 Nd3 84.Be3 Kd5 85.Kxg6 Ke4 86.Bd2 h4 87.Kf6 Ne5 88.Bc3 Nd7+ 89.Kf7 Kf5 90.g6 1-0

Shmelov,Denys (2412) - Jha,Sriram (2430) [D14]

March GM Norm Manchester, NH (10), 2016-03-07

1.d4 d5 2.c4 c6 3.cxd5 cxd5 4.Nc3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Nf6 6.Bf4 Bf5 7.e3 e6 8.Bd3 Bxd3 9.Qxd3 Bd6 10.Bxd6 Qxd6 11.0-0 0-0 12.Rfc1 Rfc8 13.Nd2 Nd7 14.a3 a6 15.Ne2 Ne7 16.Rxc8+ Rxc8 17.Rc1 Rxc1+ 18.Nxc1 h6 19.Qc3 Qc6 20.Ne2 Qxc3 21.Nxc3 Nc6 22.Kf1 Kf8 23.Ke2 Ke7 24.Kd3 Kd6 25.f3 f6 26.b3 b6 27.g4 g5 28.Nf1 Nf8 29.Ng3 Ng6 30.Nh5 Ke7 31.Ng3 ½-½

GM Norm Tournament

	PLAYER	FED	RATING	1		2		3		4		5		6		TOTAL	PLACE
1	**IM Razvan Preotu**	CAN	2468			0.5	0.0	0.0	0.5	0.0	1.0	1.0	0.0	0.5	0.5	4.0	
2	**GM Aleksandr Lenderman**	USA	2623	1.0	0.5			1.0	0.5	0.5	0.0	0.5	1.0	1.0	0.5	6.5	2nd
3	**GM Sriram Jha**	IND	2430	0.5	1.0	0.5	0.0			0.5	0.5	0.0	0.5	0.5	0.5	4.5	4th
4	**GM Josh Friedel**	USA	2519	0.0	1.0	1.0	0.5	0.5	0.5			0.5	1.0	1.0	1.0	7.0	1st
5	**GM Eugene Perelshteyn**	USA	2524	1.0	0.0	0.0	0.5	0.5	1.0	0.0	0.5			1.0	1.0	5.5	3rd
6	**IM Denys Shmelov**	UKR	2412	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.0	0.5	0.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0			2.5	

Cumulative Score by Round

	PLAYER	FED	RATING	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1	**IM Razvan Preotu**	CAN	2468	0.5	1.0	1.5	1.5	1.5	2.0	2.0	2.0	3.0	4.0
2	**GM Aleksandr Lenderman**	USA	2623	0.5	1.0	2.0	2.0	3.0	4.0	5.0	5.5	6.0	6.5
3	**GM Sriram Jha**	IND	2430	0.5	1.0	1.5	2.0	2.0	2.5	2.5	3.5	4.0	4.5
4	**GM Josh Friedel**	USA	2519	0.5	1.5	2.0	3.0	4.0	4.5	5.5	6.5	6.5	7.0
5	**GM Eugene Perelshteyn**	USA	2524	0.5	1.0	1.5	2.5	3.5	3.5	4.5	4.5	5.5	5.5
6	**IM Denys Shmelov**	UKR	2412	0.5	0.5	0.5	1.0	1.0	1.5	1.5	2.0	2.0	2.5

PAIRINGS and RESULTS

	Bd1	Bd2	Bd3
Round 1	**1 vs 6**	**2 vs 5**	**3 vs 4**
Round 2	**6 vs 4**	**5 vs 3**	**1 vs 2**
Round 3	**2 vs 6**	**3 vs 1**	**4 vs 5**
Round 4	**3 vs 6**	**4 vs 2**	**5 vs 1**
Round 5	**6 vs 5**	**1 vs 4**	**2 vs 3**
Round 6	**6 vs 1**	**5 vs 2**	**4 vs 3**
Round 7	**4 vs 6**	**3 vs 5**	**2 vs 1**
Round 8	**6 vs 2**	**1 vs 3**	**5 vs 4**
Round 9	**5 vs 6**	**4 vs 1**	**3 vs 2**
Round 10	**6 vs 3**	**2 vs 4**	**1 vs 5**

NH Closed

Manchester – March 4-6, 2016

Christopher Wood, Doug Grant, Hal Terrie, Erin Dame, Michael Kind, IM Joseph Fang, and Alex Relyea (FIDE arbiter)

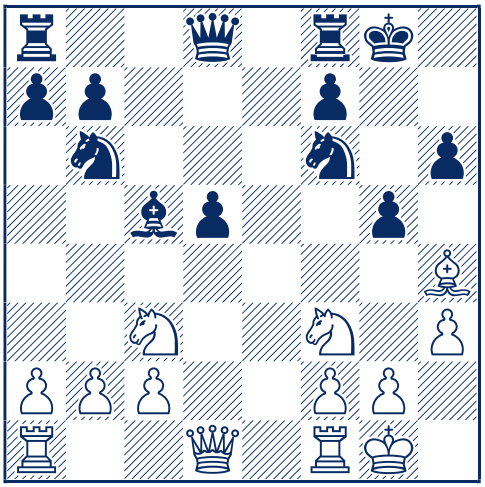
The 2016 New Hampshire Closed featured the winners of the 2015 NHCA events, plus the top-rated residents who were not winners to fill out the field. IM Joseph Fang took clear first with 4/5. Christopher Wood was second with 3.5/5, and Hal Terrie completed the prize winners with 3/5. The tournament was directed by Alex Relyea and Ken Ballou for Relyea Chess.

Michael Kind vs Doug Grant

Kind,Michael (1941) - Grant,Doug (2167) [C01]

2016 NH Closed Manchester, NH (1), 2016-03-04

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.exd5 exd5 4.Nf3 Nf6 5.h3 c5 6.dxc5 Bxc5 7.Bb5+ Bd7 8.Bxd7+ Nbxd7 9.0-0 0-0 10.Nc3 Nb6 11.Bg5 h6 12.Bh4 g5



(white to move)

13.Nxg5 hxg5 14.Bxg5 Qd6 15.Qf3 Nbd7 16.Bf4 Qe6 17.Bh6 Ne4 18.Bxf8 Bxf8 19.Nxe4 dxe4 20.Qg3+ Kh7 21.Rad1 f5 22.Qc7 1-0

Wood,Christopher (2008) - Fang,Joseph (2356) [E69]

2016 NH Closed Manchester, NH (1), 2016-03-04

1.Nf3 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.d4 Bg7 4.g3 0-0 5.Bg2 d6 6.Nc3 Nbd7 7.0-0 e5 8.e4 c6 9.h3 Qb6 10.d5 Nc5 11.Qc2 cxd5 12.cxd5 Bd7 13.Be3 Rfc8 14.Nd2 Qa6 15.Rfc1 b5 16.b4 Na4 17.Qb3 Qb7 18.Nxa4 bxa4 19.Qb2 Bb5 20.Rxc8+ Rxc8 21.Rc1 a6 22.a3 h5 23.Rc3 h4 24.g4 Nh7 25.Nf3 Bf6 26.Qc1 Rxc3 27.Qxc3 Bd8 28.Bf1 Be7 29.Qc1 Qd7 30.Bb6 Bxf1 31.Qxf1 Qc8 32.Be3 Qc2 33.Nd2 Bg5 34.f4 Qc3 35.Nc4 exf4 36.Bf2 Be7 37.Be1 Qd4+ 38.Bf2 Qxe4 39.Nd2 Qxd5 40.Qe2 Bf6 41.Ne4 Bd4 42.Kf1 Ng5 43.Bxd4 Nxe4 44.Qb2 Ng3+ 45.Kf2 Qh1 46.Bh8 Qf1# 0-1

Christopher Wood vs IM Joe Fang

Terrie,Henry (2200) - Dame,Erin (2002) [E62]

2016 NH Closed Manchester, NH (1), 2016-03-04

Annotated by NM Hal Terrie

I didn't do much advance preparation for this event, which caused me some problems, as others did prepare. From what I observed, I think Erin prepared extensively for all of his games. I know Joe Fang did - he told me he spent over a week preparing the line he used against me.

1.c4 Nf6 2.Nc3 g6 3.Nf3 Bg7 4.g3 0-0 5.Bg2 d6 6.d4

I knew in a general way that Erin sometimes played the King's Indian and had a vague impression that he mostly avoided the main lines of it but as I hadn't bothered to refresh my memory, I quickly get in trouble.

6...c6 7.0-0 Qa5 8.e4 Bg4 9.h3 Bxf3 10.Bxf3 Nfd7

I have seen this position before but because I hadn't done any review, I was just winging it here and didn't remember the best line.

11.Be3

This is the most common move here but I don't think it's best. A more accurate way to play (anticipating Black's idea) is: 11.Rb1 and now if 11...Qb4 12.Be2! Qb6 13.Be3 when White is just better.

11...Qb4

Now the safe and obvious move here for White is Qb3 but I didn't want to trade Queens, so with hardly any thought at all I casually played:

12.Qe2?

walking into a known trap

12...Nb6

White is just losing a pawn now and there is absolutely nothing he can do about it. It's hard to maintain one's emotional balance when something like this happens. I consumed something like 40 minutes for my next move. After I calmed down a little I finally decided that the best thing I could do was just to develop my pieces to good squares and hope for the best.

13.Rfd1

[13.c5 dxc5 14.dxc5 Nc4]

13...Qxc4

I was really surprised by this. It's not a terrible move (it takes a free pawn after all) but taking with the knight is just obviously better. It may seem superficially like Black's queen or knight may end up being vulnerable but a closer look reveals that it isn't so. [After 13...Nxc4! White would have to play the miserable 14.Bc1 (Not 14.a3? Qb3-/+ and the Black

Queen is completely safe.) Now after 14...Nd7 White can try to get tricky with 15.Qc2 but it doesn't lead anywhere. Black gets away with an extra pawn, good pawn structure and even better development. This depressing fact was what I discovered during my 40-minute think. So, I was delighted to see the queen capture on c4 instead.]

14.Qc2

Now I actually had a little hope, as Black's pieces are temporarily a little dis-coordinated.

14...Na6 15.b3 Qe6 16.Bg2 Rac8

[Another idea for Black to reorganize and head back to normal King's Indian ideas is the surprising 16...Qc8 17.Rac1 e5 after which the Black knights can return to c7 and d7.]

17.Qd2 f5

This is also not a terrible move if followed up correctly (the computer thinks it's fine) but I still don't like it. The computer thinks Black can go ahead with the move he has prepared for: 17...c5 However after 18.Nb5 there are complications involved with the threat on the a-pawn which would be very difficult for a human to see. So it is understandable that Erin avoids it.

18.Rac1 fxe4 19.Nxe4 d5?

What the heck? This is horrible. Black's extra material is now a miserable backward pawn. Black should immediately have seized the central square he won with: 19...Nd5!

20.Ng5 Qf6?!

This is not so good either, as now White gets to control the e5 square without having to play f4. Black should play 20...Qd6 with the idea of dissolving the backward pawn by ...e5. White can prevent that with 21.f4 Nd7 22.Re1 Nf6 but Black is hanging on and may even have some ideas of an eventual ...Ne4.

21.Bf4 Nd7 22.Nf3 Qf7

Better 22...Nc7

23.Re1±

Despite the pawn minus, White has a big advantage now. I was getting short of time though, with 9 minutes remaining to Erin's 29. (The first time control was at move 40.)

23...Nf6

Black offered a draw. Declined.

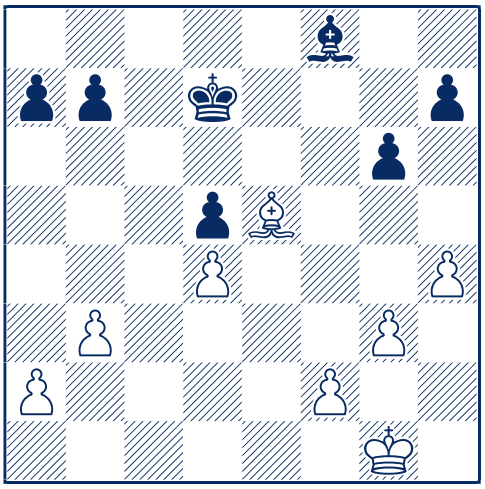
24.Ng5 Qe8 25.Bd6

The computer thinks 25.h4 (with the idea of Bh3) is a killer but with my time shortage, I just focused on the simplest tactics I could see.

25...Ne4 26.Nxe4 dxe4 27.Rxe4 Qd7 28.Bxe7 Rfe8 29.Rce1 Nc7 30.h4 Nd5 31.Bg5 Rxe4 32.Rxe4 Re8 33.Rxe8+ Qxe8 34.Bxd5+ cxd5 35.Qe3

In time pressure, I missed 35.Qa5

35...Qd7 36.Bf4 Kf7 37.Be5 Bf8 38.Qf4+ Ke8 39.Qf6 Be7 40.Qg7 Bf8 41.Qxd7+ Kxd7



(white to move)

42.f3?

A typical post-time control letdown. I played this quite casually to keep the Black king from the kingside light

squares, figuring I would just calmly stroll my own king to the center and win. The right move is 42.Kf1

42...Kc6

With a sudden shock, I realized that Black has a very simple plan: he just marches his king down to a3 and wins a pawn. There is nothing White can do to stop it - his king is too far away and trying to retreat the bishop to d2 or c1 just runs into ...Bg7. I was awake again and calculating hard but it's too late. The game is now drawn with best play. After long thought, I decided that the best try was to make a tempting offer.

43.Bb8

[43.a4 doesn't help either: 43...Kb6 followed by ...Ka5-b4.]

43...Bg7?

And he goes for it! Now White is winning again. [Black needs to stay calm, resist all the nonsense and just quietly play 43...a6 44.Kf2 Kb5 45.Ke3 Kb4 46.Kd3 Ka3 47.Kc3 Kxa2=]

44.Bxa7 b6

The "point." The threat of winning the bishop on a7 allows Black to capture a pawn with check. Hard to resist but it throws away the draw.

45.Bb8 Bxd4+ 46.Kf1 Kc5 47.Ke2 Kb4 48.Kd3

It was important to have foreseen this gain of a tempo - and to note that g3 is defended.

48...Bc5 49.Kc2

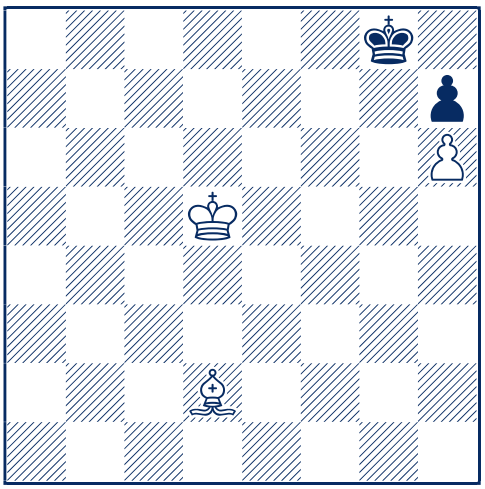
Just in time. White keeps his extra pawn.

49...Be7 50.Be5 Kc5 51.Kc3 b5 52.a4 bxa4 53.bxa4 Bd8 54.Bd4+ Kc6 55.Kd3 Bc7 56.g4 Bg3 57.h5 gxh5 58.gxh5 Bf4 59.Be3 Be5 60.f4 Bf6 61.Bd4 Bd8 62.f5 Kd6 63.Bc3 Bb6

I was cruising along here when I suddenly got another shock - I can't play the move I had intended, a5, because Black has engineered a clever defensive idea.

64.Bd4

64.a5? runs into 64...Bxa5! 65.Bxa5 Ke5 66.Bd2 Kxf5 67.h6 (forced) (67.Kd4 h6! 68.Bxh6 Kg4=) and now Black just retreats his king: 67...Ke6 68.Kd4 Kf7 69.Kxd5 Kg8=



(analysis)

with a fortress! The White king cannot approach.

64...Bd8 65.Kc3 Ba5+ 66.Kb3 Bd2 67.Bc3 Be3 68.Bf6

A waiting move while taking another look for the clear win. It doesn't hurt to do this. To my surprise, Erin chose this moment to resign. I wanted to play 68.a5 but missed a finesse which would win quickly. 68...d4 A) It is more likely that I would eventually have found 69.Bb4+ Kd5 70.a6 d3 71.f6 Ke6 (71...d2? 72.Bxd2) 72.Bc3 followed by Kc4.; B) I had been looking at 69.Bb2! (which is the quickest win) the point being that after 69...Ke5? (69...d3 70.f6 Ba7 71.a6 Ke6 72.Bc3 Kf7 73.Kc4 d2 74.Bxd2 Kxf6 75.Bc3+ Kg5 76.Bd4 Bb8 77.Kb5 Kxh5 78.Kc6 Kg4 79.Kb7 Bf4 80.a7+-) 70.a6 wins because the d-pawn is pinned. I did not see this idea during the game and to be honest, I don't think I would have. However, it's not the only way to win.; 68.Bf6 Bd2 69.Bc3 Be3 transposes back to the correct variation. **1-0**

NM Hal Terrie vs Erin Dame

Grant,Doug (2167) - Fang,Joseph (2356) [A68]

2016 NH Closed Manchester, NH (2), 2016-03-05

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.e4 d6 5.f4 0-0 6.Nf3 c5 7.d5 e6 8.Be2 exd5 9.cxd5 Bg4 10.0-0 Nbd7 11.h3 Bxf3 12.Bxf3 Qa5 13.Re1 Rfe8 14.a4 c4 15.Be3 Nc5 16.Bxc5 Qxc5+ 17.Kh2 Re7 18.Qd2 Rae8 19.Re2 a6 20.Rae1 b5 21.axb5 axb5 22.e5 dxe5 23.fxe5 Nd7 24.e6 fxe6 25.Rxe6 Ne5 26.Rxe7 Rxe7 27.Ne4 Qb6 28.d6 Rd7 29.Qd5+ Kf8 30.Bg4 Nxg4+ 31.hxg4 Bxb2 32.Kh1 Kg7 33.g5 Qd4 34.Qe6 Rf7 35.Qh3 Qe5 36.d7 Qe7 37.Rd1 Rf8 38.Qh6+ Kg8 39.Nf6+ Bxf6 40.gxf6 Qxf6 41.Qxf8+ Kxf8 42.d8Q+ Qxd8 43.Rxd8+ Ke7 44.Rb8 Kd6 45.Rxb5 Kc6 46.Rb8 Kd5 47.Kh2 c3 48.Kg3 Ke4 49.Rc8 Kd3 50.Kf4 h6 51.Ke5 1-0

Kind,Michael (1941) - Terrie,Henry (2200) [B26]

2016 NH Closed Manchester, NH (2), 2016-03-05

1.e4 c5 2.Nc3 Nc6 3.g3 g6 4.Bg2 Bg7 5.d3 e6 6.Be3 d6 7.Nge2 Nd4 8.Qd2 Ne7 9.0-0-0 Qa5 10.Kb1 h6 11.Bf4 e5 12.Be3 Be6 13.Nd5 Qxd2 14.Rxd2 Nxd5 15.exd5 Bd7 16.Bxd4 cxd4 17.Nc1 0-0 18.Rf1 Rae8 19.Nb3 b6 20.Re2 f5 21.Nd2 e4 22.Rfe1 Bb5 23.Nc4 Bxc4 24.dxc4 Rc8 25.b3 b5 26.cxb5 Rc5 27.a4 d3 28.cxd3 exd3 29.Re8 Rc2 30.Rxf8+ Kxf8 31.Rd1 Rxf2 32.Bf1 Rb2+ 33.Kc1 Rc2+ 34.Kb1 Rb2+ 35.Kc1 Rxb3 36.Bxd3 Ra3 37.Bc2 Bc3 38.Rd3 Ra1+ 39.Bb1 Be5 40.Kc2 Rxa4 41.Kb3 Re4 42.Rd2 Re1 43.Bd3 Kg7 44.Re2 Rd1 45.Kc2 Ra1 46.Kb3 Rd1 47.Kc2 Rg1 48.Kb3 h5 49.Kc4 Ra1 50.Kb3 Kf6 51.Ra2 Rxa2 52.Kxa2 h4 53.gxh4 Bxh2 54.Be2 Ke5 55.Bf3 Bg3 56.h5 gxh5 57.Bxh5 Kxd5 58.Kb2 Kd4 59.Kc1 Ke3 60.Kd1 f4 61.Bf7 f3 62.Be6 f2 63.Bh3 Kd3 64.Bf1+ Kc3 65.Ke2 d5 66.Kd1 d4 67.Bg2 Kc4 68.Bf1+ d3 69.Kc1 Bf4+ 70.Kb2 Kxb5 71.Bxd3+ Kb6 72.Kb3 a5 73.Be2 Kc5 74.Bf1 Kd4 75.Kc2 a4 76.Bb5 a3 77.Bf1 Ke3 78.Kb3 Bd6 0-1

Dame,Erin (2002) - Wood,Christopher (2008) [B26]

2016 NH Closed Manchester, NH (2), 2016-03-05

1.e4 c5 2.Nc3 Nc6 3.g3 g6 4.Bg2 Bg7 5.d3 d6 6.Be3 e5 7.Qd2 Nd4 8.Nd1 Ne7 9.c3 Ndc6 10.Bh6 0-0 11.h4 Bxh6 12.Qxh6 f6 13.Qd2 d5 14.h5 g5 15.h6 Kh8 16.exd5 Nxd5 17.Ne3 Be6 18.Ne2 Qd7 19.a3 Rad8 20.Rd1 Rfe8 21.c4 Nf4! 22.gxf4 exf4 23.Nc2 f3 (Better is 23…Ne5) 24.Bxf3 Ne5 25.Be4 Bg4 (25…Bf5 keeps the attack going.) 26.Ne3 Bf3 27.Qc3 Bxh1 28.Bxh1 Qh3 29.Be4 Qxh6 30.Kd2 Qh4 31.Ng3 Qf4 32.Ke2 Ng4 33.Nxg4 Qxg4+ 34.f3? (Based on a hallucination dispelled in a couple moves. Instead, 34.Kd2 Qf4+ 35.Kc2 Qxf2+ 36.Rd2 is good for White as 36…Nxg3? loses to 37.Qxf6+ Kg8 38.Rg2) 34…Qxg3 35.Qxf6+ Kg8 36.Qf5 (Here White confidently played 36.Bxh7+ before realizing to his horror that the bishop was pinned.) 36…Qh2+ 37.Ke1 Re5 38.Qg4 Rde8 39.Rd2 Qh1+ 40.Kf2 Qh2+ 41.Ke3 Qh1 42.Rg2 h5 43.Qg3 Qc1+ 44.Kf2 h4 45.Qg4 R8e7 46.Qh5 Qxb2+ 47.Kf1 Qc1+ 48.Kf2 Qf4 49.Qg6+ Kf8 50.Rg4 Qd2+ 51.Kg1 Qe3+ 52.Kh2 Rxe4 53.Qf6+ Ke8 54.Rxe4 Rxe4 55.dxe4 Kd7 56.Qf7+ Kc6 57.Qe6+ Kc7 58.Qe7+? (The draw was at hand with 58.Qe5+ since now 58…Kb6 is met by 59.Qb2+ kicking the king back, and running to the kingside doesn't help either.) 58…Kb6 59.Qf6+ Ka5 60.Qb2 a6 61.Qxb7 Qf2+ 62.Kh1 Qxf3+ 63.Kg1 h3 64.Qc7+ Ka4 65.Qc6+ Kb3 66.Qb7+ Ka2 67.e5 Qxb7 0-1

Terrie,Henry (2200) - Grant,Doug (2167) [A21]

2016 NH Closed Manchester, NH (3), 2016-03-05

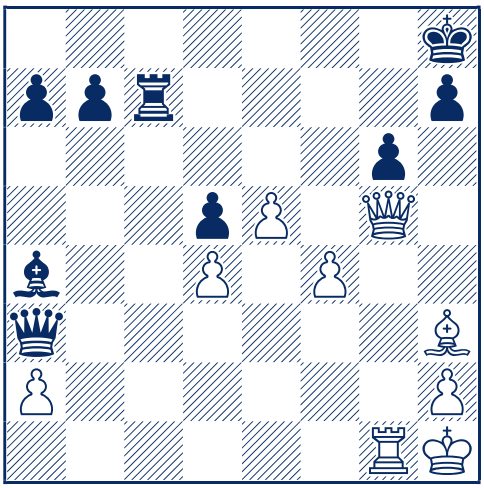
1.c4 e5 2.Nc3 Bb4 3.Nf3 d6 4.e3 c6 5.Qc2 f5 6.d4 e4 7.Ng1 Nf6 8.Nh3 Be6 9.Nf4 Bf7 10.h4 Nh5 11.Nxh5 Bxh5 12.Be2

Bxe2 13.Qxe2 Bxc3+ 14.bxc3 Nd7 15.Rb1 Qa5 16.Rxb7 Qxc3+ 17.Kd1 Qa5 18.Qc2 0-0-0 19.Rb3 Qc7 20.Bd2 c5 21.Ke2 cxd4 22.exd4 Qc6 23.Bf4 Nb6 24.Rc1 Kd7 25.d5 Qc7 26.Bxd6 Qxd6 27.c5 Qg6 28.cxb6 axb6 29.Qc7+ Ke8 30.Rxb6 Qh5+ 31.Kf1 Qf7 32.Re6+ 1-0

Fang,Joseph (2319) - Dame,Erin (2002) [D45]

2016 NH Closed Manchester, NH (3), 2016-03-05

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.Nf3 Ne4 5.Qc2 d5 6.e3 0-0 7.Bd3 f5 8.0-0 c6 9.Ne5 Nd7 10.Nxd7 Bxd7 11.cxd5 cxd5 12.f3 Nxc3 13.bxc3 Bd6 14.e4 Rc8 15.Bd2 Qh4 16.e5 Be7 17.f4 Kh8 18.Rf3 Qh5 19.Kh1 Rg8 20.Rh3 Qf7 21.g4 g6 22.Rg1 Bc6 23.Be1 Rg7 24.Bh4 Bxh4 25.Rxh4 Qe7 26.Rh6 Qa3 27.gxf5 exf5 28.Rh3 Ba4 29.Qg2 Rxc3 30.Bxf5 Rxh3 31.Bxh3 Rc7 32.Qg5



Spot The Tactic #5 (black to move)

32…Rf7 33.Qg3 Qxg3 34.hxg3 Bc6 35.Kg2 Kg7 36.Kf3 Re7 37.g4 Kf8 38.f5 Be8 39.Rc1 gxf5 40.gxf5 Rg7 41.f6 1-0

Wood,Christopher (2008) - Kind,Michael (1941) [D13]

2016 NH Closed Manchester, NH (3), 2016-03-05

1.d4 d5 2.c4 c6 3.cxd5 cxd5 4.Nc3 Nf6 5.Nf3 Nc6 6.Bf4 a6 7.Rc1 e6 8.e3 Bb4 9.Be2 0-0 10.0-0 h6 11.h3 Bd6 12.Bxd6 Qxd6 13.Na4 Nd7 14.a3 b5 15.Nc5 Nxc5 16.dxc5 Qe7 17.b4 Bb7 18.Qb3 Qf6 19.Rfd1 Rfd8 20.Nd4 Nxd4 21.exd4 Bc6 22.Qc3 Qe7 23.Rd3 f6 24.f4 Qc7 25.g3 f5 26.Re3 Qf7 27.Re1 Re8 28.Kh2 h5 29.Qd2 g6 30.Bf3 Kh8 31.Qe2 Bd7 32.c6 Bxc6 33.Rxe6 Bd7 34.Re7 Qf6 35.Qe5 Qxe5 36.R1xe5 Rxe7 37.Rxe7 Bc6 38.Rc7 Be8 39.Bxd5 Rd8 40.Be6 Rxd4 41.Rc8 Rd3 42.Rxe8+ Kg7 43.Kg2 Rxa3 44.Bd5 Ra4 45.Re7+ Kf8 46.Rf7+ Ke8 47.Ra7 Rxb4 48.Rxa6 Rb2+ 49.Kf3 b4 50.Rxg6 Rd2 51.Re6+ Kd7 52.Bb3 Rd3+ 53.Re3 Rd4 54.Be6+ 1-0

Grant,Doug (2167) - Dame,Erin (2002) [E70]

2016 NH Closed Manchester, NH (4), 2016-03-06

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.e4 d6 5.Nge2 0-0 6.Ng3 c6 7.Be2 e5 8.d5 a5 9.h4 h6 10.Be3 Na6 11.Qd2 Kh7 12.0-0-0 Ne8 13.h5 g5 14.Nf5 c5 15.g3 Bxf5 16.exf5 f6 17.Bd3 b6 18.Ne4 Rf7 19.f4 Kg8 20.fxg5 fxg5 21.Bxg5 hxg5 22.h6 Bf6 23.Rh5 Kh7 24.Rdh1 Raa7 25.Rxg5 Qd7 26.Rg7+ Kh8 27.g4 Nb4 28.Bb1 Qa4 29.b3 Qa3+ 30.Kd1 a4 31.Nxf6 Nxf6 32.Rxf7 Rxf7 33.g5 axb3 34.axb3 Qxb3+ 35.Ke2 e4 36.Rf1 Nh5 37.Bxe4 Re7 0-1

Terrie,Henry (2200) - Wood,Christopher (2008) [E69]

2016 NH Closed Manchester, NH (4), 2016-03-06

1.c4 Nf6 2.Nc3 g6 3.Nf3 Bg7 4.g3 0-0 5.Bg2 d6 6.d4 c6 7.0-0 Qa5 8.e4 e5 9.h3 Nbd7 10.Re1 exd4 11.Nxd4 Ne5 12.Bf1 Re8 13.Rb1 a6 14.b4 Qc7 15.Be3 Be6 16.Nxe6 Rxe6 17.f4 Ned7 18.Bf2 b5 19.Rc1 Qb7 20.cxb5 axb5 21.Bg2 Nb6 22.e5 dxe5 23.Nxb5 Nfd5 24.fxe5 cxb5 25.Bxb6 Qxb6+ 26.Kh1 Ne3 27.Rxe3 Qxe3 28.Bxa8 Bxe5 29.Qe1 Qg5 30.Rc5 Qf6 31.Rc8+ Kg7 32.Bd5 Re7 33.Kg2 Qf5 0-1

Kind,Michael (1941) - Fang,Joseph (2356) [C68]

2016 NH Closed Manchester, NH (4), 2016-03-06

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 a6 4.Bxc6 dxc6 5.h3 c5 6.0-0 f6 7.Nxe5 fxe5 8.Qh5+ Kd7 9.Qxe5 Qe8 10.Qf5+ Kd8 11.Qf3 Nf6 12.d3 Bd6 13.Bf4 Rf8 14.Bxd6 cxd6 15.Qg3 Qe7 16.Nc3 Nh5 17.Qe3 Nf4 18.Nd5 Nxd5 19.exd5 Qxe3 20.fxe3 Rxf1+ 21.Rxf1

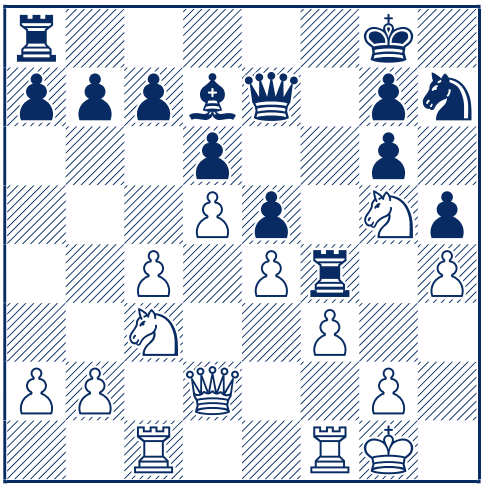
Ke7 22.e4 Bd7 23.Re1 Rf8 24.c3 h5 25.Re2 Bb5 26.Re3 h4 27.b3 Rf4 28.a4 Bd7 29.Re2 a5 30.Re1 b6 31.Re2 Kf6 32.Re1 Ke5 33.Ra1 Be8 34.Ra2 Bh5 35.Rd2 Rf6 36.b4 cxb4 37.cxb4 Kd4 38.Rc2 Kxd3 39.Rc6 axb4 40.Rxb6 Kc3 41.a5 Be2 42.Rc6+ Kd4 43.Kh2 b3 44.Rb6 Bc4 45.a6 Rf7 46.Rb7 Bxa6 47.Rxb3 Bd3 48.Rb4+ Ke5 0-1

Fang,Joseph (2356) - Terrie,Henry (2200) [A50]

2016 NH Closed Manchester, NH (5), 2016-03-06

Annotated by NM Hal Terrie

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 Nc6 3.Nc3 e5 4.d5 Ne7 5.Nf3 Ng6 6.h4 h5 7.Bg5 Be7 8.e3 d6 9.Bd3 Ng4 10.Bxg6 fxg6 11.Bxe7 Qxe7 12.Ng5 0-0 13.0-0 Nf6 14.Qc2 Bf5 15.e4 Bd7 16.Rac1 Nh7 17.Qd2 Rf4 18.f3!



(black to move)

18…Rxh4 (I thought that the ending after 18…Nxg5 19.hxg5 Qxg5 20.Ne2 Rg4 21.Qxg5 Rxg5 22.c5 was overwhelming for White despite the pawn minus. It turns out that's wrong, however. After 22…Bb5 23.Rfe1 Bxe2 [or the immediate 23…Rf8 avoiding the trade of minor pieces] 24.Rxe2 Rf8 the computer shows that Black has many resources and should hold with best play.) 19.Nxh7 Kxh7 20.Ne2 b6? (Too slow! I didn't see what was coming. Black gets plenty of counterplay if he plays 20…g5 at once: 21.g3 Rh3 22.Kg2 g4 23.Ng1 h4 24.Nxh3 gxh3+ 25.Kh2 hxg3+ 26.Kxg3 Rf8 27.Kh2 Rf4 28.Qe3 Qf6 [It's important to stop Rg1.] 29.c5 [Not 29.Qxa7?? Rxf3 30.Rxf3 Qxf3 -+] 29…b6 30.cxb6 cxb6 threatening to follow with …Bg4) 21.g3 Rh3 22.Kg2 g5 23.Ng1 g4 24.fxg4 hxg4 25.Nxh3 gxh3+ 26.Kh2 Rf8 27.Qe2 Rf6 28.Rxf6 Qxf6 29.Rg1 Qg5 30.g4 Qf4+ 31.Rg3 Kg6 32.Kxh3 b5 33.cxb5 Bxb5 34.Qxb5 Qh6+ 35.Kg2 Qd2+ 36.Kh1 Qc1+ 37.Kh2 Qd2+ 38.Rg2 Qf4+ 39.Kg1 Qe3+ 40.Rf2 Qg3+ 41.Kf1 Qh3+ 42.Ke1 1-0

Wood,Christopher (2008) - Grant,Doug (2167) [A15]

2016 NH Closed Manchester, NH (5), 2016-03-06

1.Nf3 Nf6 2.c4 b6 3.g3 Bb7 4.Bg2 e6 5.0-0 Be7 6.d3 0-0 7.e4 d6 8.Nc3 a5 9.Re1 Nbd7 10.d4 c5 11.b3 cxd4 12.Nxd4 Nc5 13.Bb2 Nfd7 14.Ndb5 Ne5 15.Re3 f5 16.f4 Ng4 17.Re1 Nh6 18.Qd4 e5 19.fxe5 dxe5 20.Qxe5 Bf6 21.Qc7 fxe4 22.Rad1 Qxc7 23.Nxc7 Rad8 24.Nxe4 Bxb2 25.Nxc5 Bxg2 26.N5e6 Rxd1 27.Rxd1 Bh3 28.Nxf8 Kxf8 29.Nd5 Ba3 30.b4 axb4 31.Kf2 b3 32.axb3 Bc5+ 33.Ke1 Ng4 34.Nf4 Nf2 35.Rd5 Be3 36.Nxh3 Nxh3 37.Rh5 Ng5 38.h4 Nf7 39.b4 g6 40.Rd5 Ke7 41.Ke2 Bh6 42.c5 bxc5 43.b5 Nd8 44.Rxc5 Kd6 45.Rc8 Kd7 46.Rc4 Bf8 47.Kf3 Bd6 48.g4 Nb7 49.h5 gxh5 50.gxh5 h6 51.Kg4 Bc5 52.Rc2 Kc7 53.Kf5 Kd7 54.Kg6 Be3 55.Rc3 Bg5 56.b6 Nd8 57.Rc7+ Kd6 58.Rg7 Kc6 59.Rh7 Kxb6 60.Rxh6 Bxh6 61.Kxh6 Ne6 62.Kh7 Kc6 63.h6 Kd6 64.Kg8 Ng5 65.Kg7 Ke7 66.Kg6 Nf7 67.h7 Nh8+ 68.Kg7 Ke8 69.Kxh8 Kf8 ½-½

Dame,Erin (2002) - Kind,Michael (1941) [B24]

2016 NH Closed Manchester, NH (5), 2016-03-06

1.e4 c5 2.Nc3 e6 3.g3 Nc6 4.Bg2 Be7 5.d3 Nf6 6.f4 d6 7.Nf3 e5 8.0-0 Bd7 9.Nd5 Nd4 10.fxe5 Nxf3+ 11.Qxf3 dxe5 12.Nxf6+ gxf6 13.Bg5 f5 14.Bxe7 Qxe7 15.exf5 Bc6 16.Qg4 Bxg2 17.Kxg2 f6 18.Qa4+ Kd8 19.c3 h5 20.Qe4 Kc7 21.Rac1 Rag8 22.d4 Rg4 23.Rf4 Rxf4 24.gxf4 Qg7+ 25.Kh1 Rg8 26.dxe5 h4 27.exf6 Qxf6 28.Qe5+ Qxe5 29.fxe5 Rg5 30.Rf1 Kd8 31.e6 Ke8 32.f6 Re5 33.e7 Kf7 34.Kg2 Re2+ 35.Rf2 Re3 36.Rf3 Re2+ 37.Kh3 Re4 38.Kg2 Re2+ 39.Kf1 Re4 40.Kf2 Re6 41.Rf5 b6 42.Kf3 Re1 43.Kg4 Re2 44.h3 Kg6 45.f7 Re4+ 46.Kf3 1-0

NH Scholastic Individual Championships

Londonderry – March 19, 2016

The New Hampshire Scholastic Individual Championships were held on March 19, 2016, hosted by Lori Jabar and her chess team on behalf of Londonderry High School. 55 players participated in the 4-section event.

Dylan Jiang and Ansh Yadawad secured top honors in the primary (K-3) section, each scoring 3.5 points out of a possible 4. The only thing separating them from a perfect score was their draw in the 2nd round.

Suhavi Tiruveedhula vs Dylan Jiang (round 4)

In the elementary (4-6) section, Meghana Kancharla scored 3.5 out of 4 in winning the section, securing victory with a final-round draw against pre-event favorite Abhinav Govindaraju.

Meghana Kancharia vs Abhinav Govindaraju (round 4)

In the junior high section (7-8), Ananth Rangan and Finn Garside tied atop the standings with 3.5 points out of a possible 4. Ananth edged out Finn on tiebreaks, earning him New Hampshire's nomination to participate in the Barber Tournament of K-8 Champions to be held along with the Denker Tournament of High School Champions and the National Girls Tournament of Champions as part of the U.S. Open festivities to be held from July 30th through August 7th in Indianapolis, Indiana.

Finn Garside vs Ananth Rangan (round 3)

The high school section (9-12) produced the day's only perfect score, as Aashish Welling managed 4 consecutive wins and the honor of representing New Hampshire at the Denker Tournament of High School Champions. Nisha Devasia was the top finishing girl in the section, but as she was unable to participate in the National Girls Tournament of Champions, the honor fell to Thalia Sousa, who accepted New Hampshire's nomination to play the event.

I would like to congratulate all the day's winners and wish Aashish, Ananth and Thalia good luck as they represent New Hampshire at the scholastic championships in Indianapolis.

Beyond that, I would like to thank Lori Jabar and Londonderry High School for hosting. And of course, the event would not have been successful without the efforts of Hal Terrie, Kerry McDermott, Doug Decker, Gene Tappen, Vince Bradley and Tom Cassar. It was truly a team effort, and the players had a lot of fun.

– John Elmore

Anson O'Young - Aashish Welling

NH Scholastics High School Section Londonderry, NH (3)

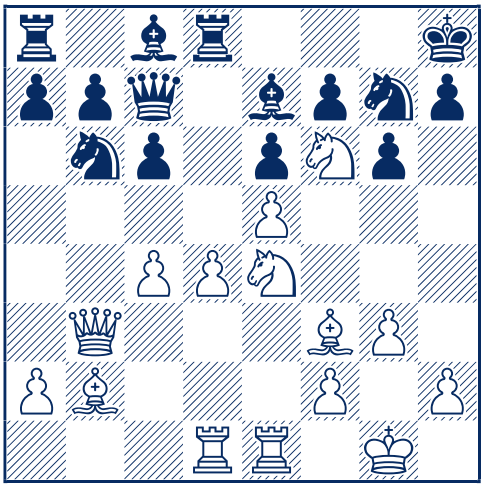
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 a6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 e5 5.Nf3 Nf6 6.Bd3 h6 7.0-0 Nc6 8.h3 Bc5 9.a3 0-0 10.b4 Bb6 11.c4 d6 12.Nc3 a5 13.b5 Nd4 14.a4 Be6 15.Nd5 Bxd5 16.exd5 Nxf3+ 17.Qxf3 Bd4 18.Rb1 Nd7 19.Qg4 Nf6 20.Qf3 Rc8 21.Be2 Kh8 22.Be3 Bxe3 23.fxe3 e4 24.Qf5 Re8 25.Rbc1 Re5 26.Qf4 Qe7 27.Rcd1 Kg8 28.Rd4 Re8 29.Bd1 Nd7 30.Bc2 Nc5 31.Qg4 Qg5 32.Rf4 Qxg4 33.Rxg4 g5 34.h4 Kh7 35.hxg5 hxg5 36.Rg3 Kg6 37.Kh2 f5 38.Kg1 g4 39.Kf2 Kg5 40.Ke2 Rh8 41.Kf2 Rh1 42.Rd1 Rxd1 43.Bxd1 Nd3+ 44.Ke2 Kh4 45.Bc2 Kxg3 46.Bxd3 exd3+ 47.Kxd3 b6 48.c5 Rxd5+ 49.Ke2 Rxc5 50.Kf1 f4 51.exf4 Kxf4 52.Kg1 g3 53.Kh1 Rc1# 0-1

Anson O'Young vs Aashish Welling (round 3)

Aashish Welling - Coby O'Young

NH Scholastics High School Section Londonderry, NH (4)

1.d4 d5 2.Nf3 Nf6 3.c4 e6 4.g3 Be7 5.Bg2 0-0 6.0-0 c6 7.b3 Nbd7 8.Bb2 Re8 9.Nc3 Bd6 10.Re1 dxc4 11.bxc4 Bb4 12.e4 Nb6 13.Qb3 Be7 14.Rad1 Qc7 15.e5 Nh5 16.Nd2 g6 17.Nde4 Rd8 18.Bf3 Ng7 19.Nf6+ Kh8 20.Nce4



(black to move)

20…Ne8 21.Be2 Bf8 22.Qe3 Bg7 23.Qg5 Nd7 24.Qh4 Ndxf6 25.exf6 Bf8 26.Bc1 Nd6 27.Bf4 Qd7 28.Bxd6 Bxd6 29.Ng5 h5 30.Bxh5 Kg8 31.Bg4 Kf8 32.Qh8# 1-0

NH Quick Chess Championship

Portsmouth – April 16, 2016

The New Hampshire Quick Chess Championship was held in Portsmouth, NH on Saturday, April 16th, 2016 to crown a champion at the Quick time control, namely, G/25 + 3. The clear winner was John Elmore who notched an undefeated 7 out of 8, defeating the 2nd seed and drawing the top seed by quick rating along the way. Sole second and third places were taken by Doug Grant with 6.5 points and Hal Terrie with 6, respectively.

Grant,Doug (2097) - Kelley,Nathan (1427) [A86]

NH Quick (G/25 d3) (1), 2016-04-16

1.d4 f5 2.g3 g6 3.Bg2 Bg7 4.c4 Nf6 5.Nc3 d6 6.Nh3 0-0 7.0-0 c6 8.b3 e5 9.e3 e4 10.Bb2 d5 11.Nf4 Re8 12.Rc1 Be6 13.Na4 Bf7 14.h4 Na6 15.Qd2 Nc7 16.Rc2 b6 17.Rfc1 Rc8 18.Bf1 Bf8 19.cxd5 cxd5 20.Ba6 Qd7 21.Bxc8 Rxc8 22.Rc6 Bd6 23.a3 Kg7 24.R6c2 h6 25.Kg2 Qe7 26.Nh3 Nh5 27.b4 Be6 28.Nf4 Nxf4+ 29.exf4 Bd7 30.Nc3 Qf7 31.Nd1 Ba4 32.Rc3 Bxd1 33.Rxd1 remaining moves lost to time trouble 1-0

Decker,Doug (1488) - Gaddam,Vijay [B06]

NH Quick (G/25 d3) (1), 2016-04-16

1.e4 e6 2.d4 g6 3.Nf3 Bg7 4.Be3 b6 5.c3 Bb7 6.Bd3 h6 7.0-0 d6 8.Nbd2 Nd7 9.Qc2 Ngf6 10.e5 dxe5 11.Nxe5 Qe7 12.Nxg6 fxg6 13.Bxg6+ Kd8 14.Bf4 Nd5 15.Bg3 Qg5 16.Nf3 Qf6 17.Bh4 Qxh4 18.Nxh4 Bf6 19.Nf3 Ke7 20.Rfe1 Rag8 21.Bf5 Nf4 22.Be4 Rxg2+ 23.Kf1 Ba6+ 24.Bd3 Bxd3+ 25.Qxd3 Nxd3 26.Kxg2 Rg8+ 27.Kf1 Nxe1 28.Rxe1 Rf8 29.d5 e5 30.c4 Kd8 31.b3 Re8 32.Nd2 Nc5 33.Ne4 Nxe4 34.Rxe4 Bg5 35.f3 Bf4 36.h3 Rg8 remaining moves lost to time trouble 0-1

Okuniewicz,Daniel (1938) - Kolojeski,Paul (1536) [B30]

NH Quick (G/25 d3) (1), 2016-04-16

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Nc3 e5 4.Bc4 d6 5.h3 Be7 6.Nd5 Nf6 7.Nxe7 Qxe7 8.d3 Be6 9.Bb5 Rc8 10.0-0 a6 11.Ba4 b5 12.Bb3 Bxb3 13.axb3 a5 14.c3 Nd7 15.Re1 0-0 16.d4 b4 17.d5 Nd8 18.Rxa5 bxc3 19.bxc3 f6 20.Be3 Rb8 21.Nh4 Nb6 22.b4 cxb4 23.cxb4 Nc4 24.Nf5 Qd7 25.Ra7 Nxe3 26.Rxd7 Nxd1 27.Rxd1 Rxb4 28.Nxd6 Nf7 29.Nxf7 Rxf7 30.Rd8+ Rf8 31.Rxf8+ Kxf8 32.Re1 Ke7 33.g4 Kd6 34.Kg2 Rb2 35.Kg3 Rb3+ 36.f3 Rb2 37.Rc1 Rb7 38.h4 Rb8 39.Rc6+ Kd7 40.f4 Rb3+ 41.Kg2 exf4 42.g5 fxg5 43.hxg5 Rg3+ 44.Kf2 Rxg5 45.Kf3 Rh5 46.Kxf4 Rh4+ 47.Ke5 ½-½

Harju,John (1137) - Sterner,David (1858) [C00]

NH Quick (G/25 d3) (1), 2016-04-16

1.e4 e6 2.Nf3 d5 3.d3 dxe4 4.dxe4 Qxd1+ 5.Kxd1 Bc5 6.Bd3 Bxf2 7.Ke2 Bb6 8.Nc3 c6 9.Rf1 Nf6 10.Bg5 Nbd7 11.h3 h6 12.Be3 Bxe3 13.Kxe3 0-0 14.g4 Nc5 15.Be2 b5 16.b4 Ncd7 17.Rad1 a5 18.a3 axb4 19.axb4 Ra3 20.Rd3 Ba6 21.e5 Nd5+ 22.Nxd5 Rxd3+ 23.cxd3 cxd5 24.Ra1 Nb8 25.Nd2 Rc8 26.Nb3 Rc2 27.Nc5 d4+ 28.Kxd4 Rxe2 29.Nxa6 Nxa6 30.Rxa6 Rh2 31.Rb6 Rxh3 32.Rxb5 Rg3 33.Rb8+ Kh7 34.Kc5 Rxg4 35.b5 Kg6 36.b6 Rg1 37.Ra8 Rb1 38.Kc6 Kf5 39.b7 Kxe5 40.b8Q+ Rxb8 41.Rxb8 f5 42.Rb5+ Kd4 43.Rb3 f4 44.Kd6 f3 45.Rb7 g5 46.Kxe6 Kxd3 47.Rb3+ Ke2 48.Rb2+ Kf1 49.Kf5 f2 remaining moves lost to time trouble 0-1

Davis,Jason (1411) - Terrie,Hal (2000) [D04]

NH Quick (G/25 d3) (1), 2016-04-16

1.d4 Nf6 2.Nf3 d5 3.e3 g6 4.Bd3 Bg7 5.0-0 0-0 6.c3 b6 7.Nbd2 Bb7 8.Re1 Ne4 9.Qc2 f5 10.Ne5 Nd7 11.Nxd7 Qxd7 12.f3 Nxd2 13.Bxd2 c5 14.Rf1 Rac8 15.Qd1 e5 16.Qe2 exd4 17.cxd4 cxd4 18.Rab1 dxe3 19.Qxe3 Rfe8 20.Qf2 Qa4 21.a3 Bd4 22.Be3 Bxe3 0-1

Elmore,John (1912) - Whitmore,Walt (1400) [C78]

NH Quick (G/25 d3) (1), 2016-04-16

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 a6 4.Ba4 Nf6 5.0-0 b5 6.Bb3 Bc5 7.c3 0-0 8.d4 exd4 9.cxd4 Bb6 10.e5 Ne8 11.d5 Ne7 12.d6 cxd6 13.exd6 Ng6 14.Ng5 Bc5 15.Qd5 Qb6 16.Nxf7 Bb7 17.Nh6+ Kh8 18.Qg8+ Rxg8 19.Nf7# 1-0

French,Al (1835) - Harju,David (942) [A46]

NH Quick (G/25 d3) (1), 2016-04-16

1.d4 Nf6 2.Nf3 e6 3.Bf4 Nc6 4.e3 b6 5.Bd3 Bb7 6.c3 a6 7.a4 d5 8.Nbd2 Bd6 9.Bg3 Ne7 10.Qe2 Qd7 11.Ne5 Bxe5 12.Bxe5 Rg8 13.e4 dxe4 14.Nxe4 Nxe4 15.Bxe4 Bxe4 16.Qxe4 Qd5 17.f3 0-0-0 18.0-0-0 Ng6 19.Bg3 f5 20.Qe2 Rge8 21.Qxa6+ Kb8 22.Qxb6+ Kc8 23.Qxc7# 1-0

Sterner,David (1858) - Grant,Doug (2097) [D02]

NH Quick (G/25 d3) (2), 2016-04-16

1.Nf3 Nf6 2.d4 e6 3.g3 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Bg2 d5 6.0-0 Bd6 7.Nbd2 0-0 8.Re1 cxd4 9.cxd4 b6 10.e4 dxe4 11.Nxe4 Nxe4 12.Rxe4 Bb7 13.Bg5 Ne7 14.Re2 f6 15.Bd2 Bd5 16.Ne1 Qd7 17.Bc3 Rac8 18.Nd3 Rfe8 19.Nb4 Bxg2 20.Kxg2 Qb7+ 21.Kg1 a5 22.Nc2 Nd5 23.Qd2 Nxc3 24.bxc3 e5 25.Rae1 Qf7 26.dxe5 Bxe5 27.Nd4 Red8 28.Qb2 Qb7 29.f4 Bxd4+ 30.cxd4 h6 31.Re7 Qd5 32.Qxb6 Qxd4+ 33.Qxd4 Rxd4 34.Ra7 Rd2 35.Rxa5 Rcc2 36.Ra8+ Kh7 37.a4 remaining moves lost to time trouble 1-0

Arond,Paul (1546) - Okuniewicz,Daniel (1938) [B23]

NH Quick (G/25 d3) (2), 2016-04-16

1.e4 c5 2.Nc3 Nc6 3.f4 e6 4.Nf3 Be7 5.Bb5 Bh4+ 6.g3 Be7 7.d3 a6 8.Bxc6 bxc6 9.0-0 d5 10.e5 Nh6 11.Qe2 0-0 12.b3 Bb7 13.Na4 d4 14.Ba3 c4 15.Bxe7 cxd3 16.Qxd3 Qxe7 17.Ng5 g6 18.Ne4 Ng4 19.Qxd4 Rad8 20.Nd6 f6 21.Nc5 fxe5 22.fxe5 Rxf1+ 23.Rxf1 Nxe5 24.Qxe5 Ba8 25.Rf7 Qxf7 26.Nxf7 Kxf7 27.Qxe6+ Kg7 28.Qe7+ 1-0

Terrie,Hal (2000) - Plummer,Donald (1651) [E01]

NH Quick (G/25 d3) (2), 2016-04-16

1.c4 e6 2.Nf3 d5 3.d4 Nf6 4.g3 Bd6 5.Bg2 Nc6 6.0-0 0-0 7.Nc3 Ne4 8.Nxe4 dxe4 9.Ne1 f5 10.Nc2 Bd7 11.b3 Qf6 12.Bb2 Qh6 13.Ba3 Rad8 14.Bxd6 cxd6 15.f3 d5 16.e3 g5 17.Qd2 Rf7 18.fxe4 dxe4 19.Rad1 Bc8 20.Qc3 Qg7 21.b4 Rfd7 22.b5 Ne7 remaining moves lost to time trouble 1-0

Havener,Jason (1528) - Decker,Doug (1488) [A00]

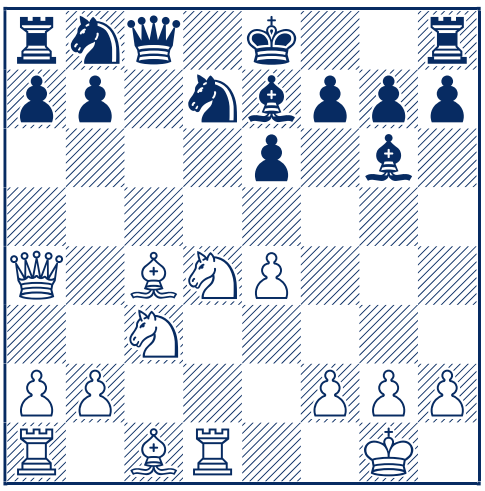
NH Quick (G/25 d3) (2), 2016-04-16

1.b4 d5 2.Bb2 Nf6 3.e3 e6 4.b5 c6 5.c4 cxb5 6.cxb5 a6 7.a4 Bd7 8.Nc3 Bb4 9.Nf3 0-0 10.Be2 axb5 11.axb5 Rxa1 12.Qxa1 Qc7 13.0-0 Rc8 14.Na2 Be7 15.Be5 Qd8 16.Nc3 Be8 17.h3 Nbd7 18.Bd4 Nc5 19.Bxc5 Bxc5 20.d4 Bb4 21.Na2 Bd6 22.Qb2 Nd7 23.Rc1 Nb6 24.Ne5 f6 25.Nf3 Nc4 26.Bxc4 dxc4 27.Nc3 Ra8 28.Qc2 remaining moves lost to time trouble 1-0

Grant,Doug (2097) - Havener,Jason (1528) [D20]

NH Quick (G/25 d3) (3), 2016-04-16

1.d4 d5 2.c4 dxc4 3.e3 c5 4.Bxc4 Bf5 5.Nc3 Nf6 6.Nf3 e6 7.0-0 cxd4 8.Nxd4 Bg6 9.Qa4+ Nfd7 10.Rd1 Qc8 11.e4 Be7



(white to move)

12.Nxe6!? fxe6 13.Bxe6 Bf7 14.Bh3 Qc6 15.Qxc6 bxc6 16.Bf4 Nf6 17.Bg5 0-0 18.e5 Nd5 19.Nxd5 Bxg5 20.Nc7 Bh5 21.f3 Be3+ 22.Kh1 Nd7 23.Rxd7 Rab8 24.b3 Bf4 25.Re1 Rb4 26.Ne6 g5 27.Nxf8 Kxf8 remaining moves lost to time trouble 1-0

French,Al - Terrie,Hal [E61]

NH Quick (G/25 d3) (3), 2016-04-16

1.d4 Nf6 2.Nf3 g6 3.Bf4 Bg7 4.e3 d6 5.c4 0-0 6.Nc3 Nbd7 7.Be2 b6 8.0-0 Bb7 9.h3 Ne4 10.Nxe4 Bxe4 11.Bd3 Bxd3 12.Qxd3 e5 13.dxe5 dxe5 14.Bg3 Qe7 15.e4 Nc5 16.Qc2 a5 17.Rad1 Rfd8 18.b3 f6 19.Kh1 Qe6 20.Kh2 Qc6 21.Rd5 Qe8 22.Rfd1 c6 23.R5d2 Bf8 24.Ne1 Ne6 25.Nf3 Bb4 26.Rxd8 Rxd8 27.Rxd8 Qxd8 28.Qc1 Qd3 29.Qh6 Qxe4 30.Nh4 Bf8 31.Qd2 Nd4 32.Nf3 Qxf3 33.gxf3 Nxf3+ 34.Kg2 Nxd2 35.f3 e4 36.fxe4 Nxe4 37.Bc7 Bc5 38.Kf3 f5 39.h4 Kf7 40.Be5 h6 41.Bb2 g5 42.hxg5 hxg5 43.Be5 Kg6 44.Bc7 0-1

Schalk,Alan (1867) - Sterner,David (1858) [C02]

NH Quick (G/25 d3) (3), 2016-04-16

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.a3 a5 7.Be2 Nh6 8.0-0 cxd4 9.Qd3 Nf5 10.g4 Nfe7 11.cxd4 Ng6 12.Nc3 Be7 13.Na4 Qa7 14.Be3 Bd7 15.Nc3 a4 16.Nb5 Qb6 17.Rac1 0-0 18.Ne1 Na5 19.f4 Nb3 20.Rc3 Ra5 21.Nd6 Bxd6 22.exd6 Bb5 23.Qd1 Bxe2 24.Qxe2 Qxd6 25.f5 Ne7 26.f6 Ng6 27.g5 TIME 1-0

Davis,Jason (1411) - Decker,Doug (1488) [C50]

NH Quick (G/25 d3) (3), 2016-04-16

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.Nc3 0-0 6.d3 d6 7.h3 Be6 8.Bb3 Bxb3 9.axb3 Nd4 10.Bg5 Nxf3+ 11.Qxf3 c6 12.Ne2 h6 13.Bxf6 Qxf6 14.Qxf6 gxf6 15.Ng3 d5 16.Nf5 Kh7 17.Kh1 dxe4 18.dxe4 Rfd8 19.f3 Rd2 20.Rac1 Rad8 21.Ng3 Bf2 22.Kh2 Bxg3+ 23.Kxg3 Re2 24.Rfe1 Rxe1 25.Rxe1 Rd2 26.Rc1 Kg6 27.b4 Rd4 28.c3 Rd2 29.Rb1 a6 30.c4 Rd4 31.b3 Rd3 32.Rb2 Rd4 ½-½

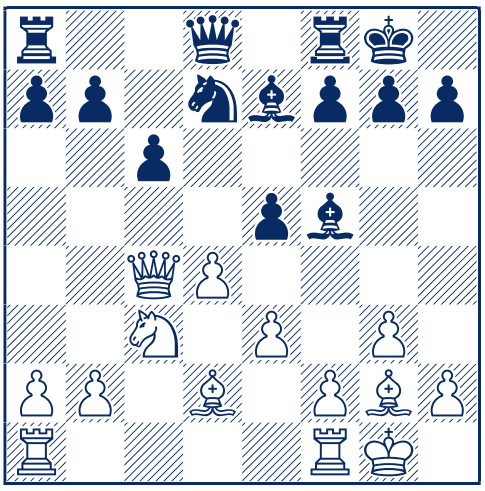
Terrie,Hal - Elmore,John [D23]

NH Quick (G/25 d3) (4), 2016-04-16

Annotated by John Elmore

This game was in round four of the NH Quick. I had won my first three games, and Hal was a half-point behind. Hal crushed me easily in a game at this event in 2015 (while going on to win the title), so I was determined to make him work a bit harder this time!

1.Nf3 d5 2.c4 c6 3.d4 Nf6 4.Qc2 dxc4 5.Qxc4 Bf5 6.g3 e6 7.Bg2 Nbd7 8.0-0 Be7 9.Nc3 0-0 10.e3 Ne4 11.Nd2 Nxd2 12.Bxd2 e5



(white to move)

After a relatively modest opening by both sides, an essentially equal position has been reached. In point of fact, I consider e5 the "winning" move due to the fact that white consumed several minutes trying to calculate the ramifications of resolving his center, particularly given his unguarded bishop on d2. As the rest of the game will show, white would have loved to have this time back at the end.

13.d5

And despite the time spent, white did not pick the best move. e4 was better.

13...Nb6 14.Qb3 Bd3 15.Rfd1 Bc4 16.Qc2 Nxd5 17.Qe4 b5

Nb6 solves some of the problems that black had to endure for the rest of the game. Had I to do it over again, I would not have chosen b5.

18.Qxe5 Bf6 19.Qh5 g6

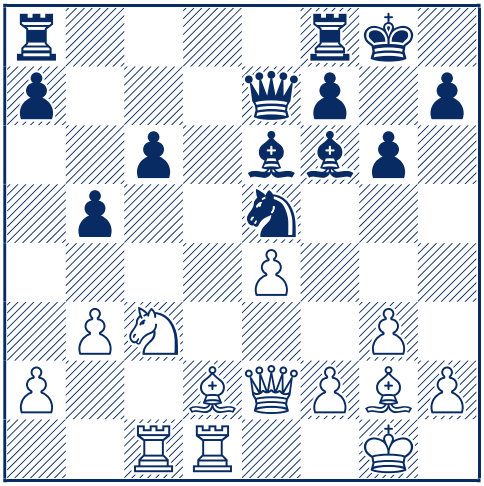
Again, not best. My computer's choice, Qb6, did not even occur to me.

20.Qf3 Qe7 21.e4

The computer favors Nxd5, but the text looks reasonable.

21...Nb6 22.b3 Be6 23.Rac1 Nd7 24.Qe2 Ne5

As the simple Rfd8 (or Rad8) gives black equality, this move deserves criticism. I was attracted by the "clever" idea that white could not remove the knight with f4 due to Bg4.



(white to move)

25.h3

Not bad, and preventing my "trap," but white should have let me play out my intentions. If Bg4 Qf1 Bxd1, black does not win the exchange, for fxe5 leaves both black bishops hanging!

25...Rfd8 26.Be1

Given more time, I think white would have chosen the computer's recommended Be3, but in time pressure that was becoming meaningful, white opted to keep the bishop in a position where it protects the c3 knight while still opening the d file for his rooks. Again, not terrible, but the position is again roughly equal. The problem for white was that black was way up on time.

26...Rxd1 27.Rxd1 Rd8

I did not manage over the board to come up with the best way to deal with white's intended f4. Qc5 is the computer's first choice, but I'm really disappointed I didn't at least find g5 here. Both choices are better than the one I made. So now, again, black is worse.

28.f4 Rxd1 29.Nxd1 Nd7 30.e5 Bg7 31.Bf2 Nb8 32.Qe3 Qd7 33.Qd4

Nc3 seems better, but to be fair, white has less than a minute on his clock at this point.

33...Qxd4

I never considered the correct c5.

34.Bxd4 a6 35.Ba7

It's tricky to simply evaluate a move by a computer's assessment, but Ne3, the computer's first choice, was certainly worth a look. However, white secures an essentially winning edge anyway, so it's hard to be too critical.

35...Nd7 36.Bxc6 Bxh3 37.Bb7 a5 38.Bc6 b4 39.Ne3 Be6

From here neither of us were recording moves. The game continued only a short time further before white's flag fell. In this position, white is clearly better, but the win will still take a lot of work. Fortunately for me, white didn't have the time to finish the job. **0-1**

Schalk,Alan (1867) - Kolojeski,Paul (1536) [B33]

NH Quick (G/25 d3) (4), 2016-04-16

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 e5 5.Nb5 d6 6.N1c3 a6 7.Na3 b5 8.Nd5 Nf6 9.Bg5 Qa5+ 10.Bd2 Qd8 11.Bd3 Be6 12.Ne3 Qd7 13.c4 bxc4 14.Naxc4 Rb8 15.Qa4 Be7 16.0-0 0-0 17.Rac1 Rfc8 18.b3 d5 19.exd5 Nxd5 20.Be4 f5 21.Bxd5 Bxd5 22.Nxe5 Nxe5 23.Qxd7 Nxd7 24.Nxd5 Ba3 25.Rxc8+ Rxc8 26.Re1 Rc2 27.Bg5 h6 28.Be7 Rxa2 29.h3 g6 remaining moves lost to time trouble 1-0

Gauthier,Lucas (761) - Grant,Doug (2097) [D30]

NH Quick (G/25 d3) (4), 2016-04-16

1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.Nf3 c5 4.e3 Nc6 5.Bd2 Nf6 6.Ne5 Bd6 7.Nxc6 bxc6 8.Bd3 0-0 9.0-0 Qc7 10.g3 cxd4 11.exd4 e5 12.dxe5 Bxe5 13.Re1 Bxb2 14.Bc3 Bxa1 15.Bxa1 Qd8 16.Nd2 Be6 17.Qf3 dxc4 18.Nxc4 Bd5 19.Qd1 Re8 20.Rf1 Ne4 21.Qg4 Qg5 22.Qxg5 Nxg5 23.Ne5 Nh3# 0-1

Harju,John (1137) - Barclay,Alan (533) [C50]

NH Quick (G/25 d3) (4), 2016-04-16

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Qf6 4.Nc3 Na5 5.Nd5 Qd6 6.Be2 c6 7.Nc3 f5 8.d4 b5 9.Nxe5 fxe4 10.Nxe4 Qb4+ 11.c3 Qe7 12.Bg5 Qe6 13.0-0 d6 14.Bg4 Qd5 15.Bf3 Nc4 16.Nf6+ gxf6 17.Bxd5 cxd5 18.Qh5+ Ke7 19.Qf7+ Kd8 20.Nc6# 1-0

Elmore,John - Schalk,Alan [C86]

NH Quick (G/25 d3) (5), 2016-04-16

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 a6 4.Ba4 Nf6 5.0-0 b5 6.Bb3 Be7 7.Qe2 0-0 8.c3 d6 9.Rd1 Na5 10.Bc2 c5 11.d4 Qc7 12.d5 Bg4 13.Nbd2 c4 14.Nf1 Nb7 15.Ng3 Nc5 16.h3 Bd7 17.Bg5 Rfc8 18.Nh4 g6 19.Nf3 Qd8 20.Be3 Bf8 21.Nh2 Bg7 22.Rf1 Qe7 23.Rae1 h5 24.Bg5 Qf8 25.Qd2 Nh7 26.Be3 Nf6 27.f3 h4 28.Nh1 Nh5 29.Bg5 remaining moves lost to time trouble ½-½

Grant,Doug - French,Albert [A85]

NH Quick (G/25 d3) (5), 2016-04-16

1.d4 e6 2.c4 b6 3.Nc3 Bb7 4.Nf3 Bb4 5.e3 f5 6.Bd3 Nf6 7.Qc2 0-0 8.Bd2 Qe8 9.0-0-0 a6 10.Kb1 Bxc3 11.Bxc3 Ne4 12.Ne1 a5 13.f3 Nxc3+ 14.Qxc3 Qe7 15.a3 a4 16.Bc2 d5 17.Nd3 dxc4 18.Qxc4 Bd5 19.Qc3 Ra7 20.Nf4 Bb7 21.Qc4 Re8 22.Bxf5 Bd5 23.Nxd5 exd5 24.Qxd5+ Kh8 25.Be4 c6 26.Qh5 g5 27.h4 g4 28.Rc1 Ra5 29.Qh6 Rb5 30.Rc3 c5 31.dxc5 bxc5 32.Rhc1 Nd7 33.Qa6 Rb3 remaining moves lost to time trouble 1-0

Whitmore,Walt - Harju,David [C01]

NH Quick (G/25 d3) (5), 2016-04-16

1.e4 Nc6 2.d4 e6 3.Nf3 b6 4.c4 Nf6 5.Nc3 Bb7 6.e5 Ng4 7.h3 Nh6 8.Bg5 Be7 9.Bxh6 gxh6 10.Bd3 d5 11.Qa4 dxc4 12.Be4 Qd7 13.Qxc4 Bb4 14.Bxc6 Bxc3+ 15.bxc3 Bxc6 16.a4 Rg8 17.Qf1 0-0-0 18.Qa6+ Kb8 19.Kf1 b5 20.Rg1 Ka8 21.Rb1 Rb8 22.Nd2 bxa4 23.Rxb8+ Rxb8 24.Qa5 Rb6 25.Qc5 Rb2 26.Ke2 Bb5+ 27.c4 Ba6 28.Rb1 Rxb1 29.Nxb1 Bb7 30.f3 c6 31.Nc3 Qd8 32.g4 f6 33.f4 fxe5 34.fxe5 Qh4 35.Qf8+ 1-0

Havener,Jason - Harju,John [A00]

NH Quick (G/25 d3) (5), 2016-04-16

1.b4 e6 2.Bb2 Nf6 3.b5 c6 4.a4 a5 5.c4 Bb4 6.e3 0-0 7.Nf3 d5 8.Be2 Nbd7 9.0-0 Qc7 10.Ba3 Bxa3 11.Nxa3 b6 12.d4 Bb7 13.Rc1 Rac8 14.cxd5 exd5 15.bxc6 Bxc6 16.Bb5 Qd6 17.Qd3 Bxb5 18.Nxb5 Qb8 19.Qf5 Rxc1 20.Rxc1 Rc8 21.Qb1 Ne8 22.Ng5 Rxc1+ 23.Qxc1 Ndf6 24.Qc6 Ng4 25.g3 Ngf6 26.Nf3 h6 27.Ne5 Qd8 28.f3 Qe7 29.Qxb6 Qb4 30.Qb7 Qe1+ 31.Kg2 Qe2+ 32.Kh3 Qf1+ 33.Kh4 g5# 0-1

Terrie,Hal - Schalk,Alan [E91]

NH Quick (G/25 d3) (6), 2016-04-16

1.c4 Nf6 2.Nc3 g6 3.Nf3 Bg7 4.e4 0-0 5.d4 d6 6.Be2 Nc6 7.d5 Nb8 8.0-0 e5 9.Ne1 Nbd7 10.Nd3 Nc5 11.f3 Nh5 12.Nxc5 dxc5 13.Be3 b6 14.Re1 Nf6 15.d6 Ne8 16.dxc7 Nxc7 17.Qxd8 Rxd8 18.Red1 Bb7 19.Rxd8+ Rxd8 20.Rd1 ½-½

Grant,Doug - Elmore,John [D18]

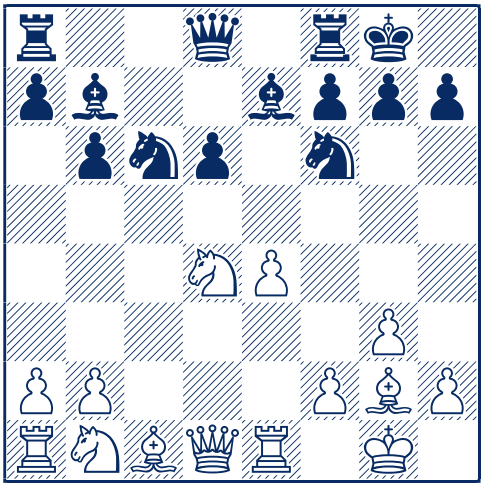
NH Quick (G/25 d3) (6), 2016-04-16

1.d4 d5 2.c4 c6 3.Nf3 Nf6 4.Nc3 dxc4 5.a4 Bf5 6.e3 e6 7.Bxc4 Nbd7 8.0-0 Bd6 9.Qe2 Ne4 10.Bd3 Nxc3 11.bxc3 Bxd3 12.Qxd3 0-0 13.Ba3 Bxa3 14.Rxa3 c5 15.a5 cxd4 16.cxd4 b6 17.Rfa1 bxa5 18.Rxa5 Qb6 19.h3 h6 20.Qa3 Rfc8 21.Rxa7 the remaining moves were lost to time trouble ½-½

Okuniewicz,Daniel (1938) - Harju,John (1137) [B00]

NH Quick (G/25 d3) (7), 2016-04-16

1.e4 b6 2.g3 Bb7 3.Bg2 Nf6 4.d3 c5 5.Nf3 d6 6.0-0 e5 7.Re1 Be7 8.c3 Nc6 9.d4 cxd4 10.cxd4 exd4 11.Nxd4 0-0



Spot The Tactic #6 (white to move)

12.Nf5 Qc7 13.Bf4 Rad8 14.Nc3 a6 15.Nd5 Nxd5 16.exd5 Ne5 17.Rc1 Qd7 18.Nxe7+ Qxe7 19.Qd4 f6 20.Qxb6 Qf7 21.Rc7 Rd7 22.Rxd7 Qxd7 23.Rc1 Rc8 24.Rxc8+ Qxc8 25.Qxd6 Nf7 26.Qc7 g5 27.Qxc8+ Bxc8 28.Bc7 Kf8 29.d6 Ke8 30.Bc6+ Bd7 31.Bd5 Ne5 32.b4 Nd3 33.a3 h5 34.Kf1 Nb2 35.Ke2 Bb5+ 36.Kd2 Kd7 37.Kc2 Nc4 38.Bxc4 Bxc4 39.Kc3 Bb5 40.Kd4 Ke6 41.Kc5 f5 42.Kb6 f4 43.a4 Bxa4 44.Kxa6 fxg3 45.fxg3 h4 46.b5 hxg3 47.hxg3 g4 48.b6 Bc6 49.b7 Bxb7+ 50.Kxb7 Kd7 51.Kb6 1-0

Schalk,Alan - Plummer,Donald [B84]

NH Quick (G/25 d3) (7), 2016-04-16

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 a6 6.Be2 d6 7.0-0 e6 8.Be3 Be7 9.f4 Nxd4 10.Qxd4 0-0 11.Bf3 Qc7 12.g4 e5 13.Qd1 Nd7 14.Nd5 Qd8 15.f5 Bg5 16.Bxg5 Qxg5 17.Nc7 Qe3+ 18.Kg2 Rb8 19.Qxd6 b5 20.Nd5 Qc5 21.Ne7+ Kh8 22.Nxc8 Qxc8 23.Rad1 Qxc2+ 24.Rf2 1-0

Whitmore,Walter - Havener,Jason [C10]

NH Quick (G/25 d3) (7), 2016-04-16

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 dxe4 4.Nxe4 Nf6 5.Ng3 b6 6.Nf3 Bb7 7.Bc4 Be7 8.0-0 Ba6 9.Bxa6 Nxa6 10.Qd3 Nb4 11.Qb5+ c6 12.Qe2 0-0 13.a3 Nbd5 14.c4 Nc7 15.Bf4 Bd6 16.Bxd6 Qxd6 17.Rad1 Rfe8 18.Ne4 Nxe4 19.Qxe4 h6 20.Ne5 c5 21.dxc5 Qxc5 22.b4 Qf8 23.Rd7 Re7 24.Rfd1 Rc8 25.Rxe7 Qxe7 26.Rd7 Qg5 27.f4 Qf6 28.Rxf7 Qd8 29.Rd7 Qe8 30.Qb7 Rd8 31.Qxc7 Rxd7 32.Qxd7 Qxd7 33.Nxd7 Kf7 34.Kf2 Ke7 35.Ne5 Kf6 36.g4 g5 37.Nd3 gxf4 38.Nxf4 Ke5 39.Ke3 a6 40.Nd3+ Kf6 41.Ke4 Kg5 42.h3 h5 43.gxh5 Kxh5 44.Nf4+ Kh4 45.Ke5 Kg3 46.Nxe6 Kxh3 47.c5 bxc5 48.Nxc5 a5 49.b5 1-0

Sterner,David - Terrie,Hal [D11]

NH Quick (G/25 d3) (7), 2016-04-16

1.Nf3 d5 2.d4 Nf6 3.g3 c6 4.Bg2 Bf5 5.0-0 h6 6.c4 e6 7.Nc3 Nbd7 8.b3 Be7 9.Bb2 0-0 10.Nd2 Bh7 11.f3 c5 12.cxd5 cxd4 13.dxe6 dxc3 14.exf7+ Rxf7 15.Bxc3 Rc8 16.Rc1 Ba3 17.e4 Bxc1 18.Qxc1 Qb6+ 19.Kh1 Qc5 20.Bb2 Qxc1 21.Bxc1 Rc2 22.Nc4 Rf8 23.Bh3 Nc5 24.Be3 b6 25.Rd1 Kh8 26.Nd6 Bg8 27.e5 Nd5 28.Bd4 Ne6 29.f4 Nc3 30.Re1 Nxd4 0-1

Upcoming Events

66TH NEW HAMPSHIRE OPEN

July 23-24, 2016

Radisson Hotel Nashua, 11 Tara Blvd (near Exit 1 of Everett Turnpike, US Route 3), Nashua, NH 03062

4SS, 40/100, SD/60 d5. $$G 3,000. Four sections. Open, $$G 350-200, U2300 200, U2100 200-130. NH Champion title to top-scoring NH resident. Under 1950, $$G 250-150-100 (no Unr may win more than 150), U1750 200. Under 1650, $$G 250-150-100 (no Unr may win more than 120), U1450 200. Under 1350, $$G 200-120-80 (no Unr may win more than 80), U1150 120. All, EF $59 in advance or $65 at door, except $49/$55 for Under 1350 section, free to GM/IM in Open. NHCA memb. req. for rated NH residents: $8 adult, $6 age 18/under. Reg.: Sat 8:30-9:30 a.m., Rds.: 10-4, 9:30-3:30. Half-point bye okay for any one round if requested before Rd 2 (but not for Rd 4 in Open). No half-point byes to players receiving full-point byes. NHCA membership meeting 9 a.m. Sun.

HR: $99 (plus 9% tax) if reserved directly with hotel (603-888-9970) or online at www.radisson.com/nashuanh; reserve by 7/1, use code NHCA16. Reserve early! After 5:00 PM July 1, rooms available only at prevailing rate, as available.

Ent: NHCA, c/o Hal Terrie, 377 Huse Rd. Unit 23, Manchester, NH 03103. To enter online using credit card, start by visiting www.nhchess.org

Info: halterrie@comcast.net or 603-668-8368 (home). During the tournament only, you may call Hal Terrie's cell phone 603-858-2728.

7TH DOUBLE DOWN 6-IN-3

Monday nights, July 11 through July 25, 2016

Life Journey Church, 570 Park Avenue, Keene, NH 03431

The 7th Double Down 6-in-3 will consist of 2 games played each week for three weeks. Time limits will be G/24 with a 5 second delay. New parings will be made after each round. Prizes of a book selection to 1st place, and top under 1600. A large selection of chess books for winners to choose from will be provided. Only Quick Ratings will be affected.

6 Rounds: 7/11 - Rounds 1 & 2; 7/18 - Rounds 3 & 4; 7/25 - Rounds 5 & 6

Game/24; delay 5, Byes: 2 - 1/2 point byes allowed in the first 5 rounds., Prizes: A book selection to 1st place, and top under 1600, EF: $5, KCC voluntary paid members $4

HOT AUGUST NIGHTS 75

Monday nights, August 1 through August 29, 2016

Life Journey Church, 570 Park Avenue, Keene, NH 03431

A 5 round event with a game time of 40/60, SD/15; d5 to celebrate the few remaining days of summer as the fall season approaches. Competing in this event is also a great way to tone up for the 10th Knights Chess Club Championship, which will begin two weeks after.

5 Rounds, 40/60, SD/15; d5, 2 byes will be permitted in the first 4 rounds only., EF: $6 (non KCC members), $5 (voluntary members), Registration ends at 7:10pm, Rounds begin at: 7:15pm

2016 KNIGHTS CHESS CLUB BLITZ CHAMPIONSHIP

September 12, 2016

Life Journey Church, 570 Park Avenue, Keene, NH 03431

The 1st annual Knights Chess Club Blitz Championship will be a 1-day, 8-round event guaranteed to entice brilliancy and blunder alike! Only Blitz ratings will be affected so nobody need fear having an off day. And with 8 rounds to play a full night of guaranteed fun and actions waits for everyone.

8 Rounds, Game/5, Delay/5, No Byes will be permitted. EF: $5 (non KCC members), $4 (voluntary members). Registration ends at 7:10pm. Rounds begin at: 7:15pm

10TH ANNUAL KNIGHTS CC CHAMPIONSHIP

Monday nights, September 19 through October 17, 2016

Life Journey Church, 570 Park Avenue, Keene, NH 03431

The 10th Annual Knights Chess Club Championship is a 5 rounds g/100 d/5 tournament that will determine the club champion for the following year.

The Knights Chess Club championship will go to the highest finishing KCC member. The champion's name will be added to our perpetual trophy cup and the champion can keep the cup until the beginning of next year's tournament.

1st & 2nd Prize: A chess book will be awarded to both 1st and 2nd place.

5 Rounds, Game/100, Delay/5, 1 Byes may be requested in rounds 1-4. No 5th round byes will be allowed. EF: $6 (non KCC members), $5 (voluntary members). Registration ends at 7:10pm. Rounds begin at: 7:15pm. In the event of a tie: A tie breaker will be used to determine the champion.

MANCHESTER BLITZFEST

October 1, 2016

Quality Inn Manchester Airport, 55 John E. Devine Drive, Manchester NH 03103

RR, G/5;d0. This is a round robin event. All players will play each other, up to 31 rounds!. Players without a blitz rating will have prizes based on regular rating. Entries limited to first 32 players. Advance entries will be posted on the website as received. EF: $20. Prizes: 80% of entries paid as prizes. $500 bonus for perfect score. Reg: Registration 11:00-11:45. Drawing of lots at 12 PM sharp. Players not in attendance will be withdrawn. Rds: As soon as possible after 12 PM. All players agree to play all rounds. No byes or withdraws permitted. ENT: Alex Relyea, 49 Technology Dr. #89, Bedford, NH 03110. INFO: relyea@operamail.com. www.relyeachess.com. NS W.

MANCHESTER SENIOR OPEN

October 22-23, 2016

Courtyard Manchester-Boston Regional Airport, 700 Huse Road, Manchester NH 03103

Grand Prix Points: 10

4SS, 40/90, SD/30 + 30 Sec. Increment. Analog clocks not allowed in this section. DOB MUST be included with entry. Open to players born before 23 Oct 1966. FIDE rated. EF: $50 postmarked by 15 Oct. $55 at site. $$GTD: $300-200. 50-54 $100, 55-59 $100, 60-64 $100, 65-69 $100, 70-74 $100, 75+ $100. Ages as of 22 Oct. Reg: 9-9: 45. Rds: 10-4, 10-4. One ½ point bye rounds 1-3. ENT: Alex Relyea, 49 Technology Dr. #89, Bedford, NH 03110. INFO: relyea@operamail.com. www.relyeachess.com. HR: $119 until 23 September, 603-641-4900, mention Relyea Chess. NS W.

MANCHESTER SENIOR BLITZ

October 22, 2016

Courtyard Manchester-Boston Regional Airport, 700 Huse Road, Manchester NH 03103

5SS, G/5;d5, 80% of entries returned as prizes. DOB MUST be included with entry. Open to players born before 23 Oct 1966. EF: $20 to players in Manchester Senior Open, $25 otherwise. Reg: 8-8:45 PM. Rds: Round 1 at 9 PM, rest ASAP. ENT: Alex Relyea, 49 Technology Dr. #89, Bedford, NH 03110. INFO: relyea@operamail.com. www.relyeachess.com. NS W.

SIX SLICK SIXTIES 2016 / 60 MINUTE CHAMPIONSHIP

Monday nights, October 24, 31, November 7, 14, 21, 28, 2016

Life Journey Church, 570 Park Avenue, Keene, NH 03431

6 rounds (60-minute championship), Game/60, Delay/5, 1 Byes may be requested in rounds 1-4. No 5th round byes will be allowed. Entry Fee: $7 (non KCC members), $6 (voluntary members). Registration ends at 7:10pm. Rounds begin at: 7:15pm. Prizes: A chess book will be awarded to 1st place.

2ND WINTER'S EDGE OPEN

Monday nights, December 5, 12, 19, 26, 2016

Life Journey Church, 570 Park Avenue, Keene, NH 03431

4 rounds, Game/90, Delay/5. 1 Byes may be requested in rounds 1-4. No 5th round byes will be allowed. Entry Fee: $5 (non KCC members), $4 (voluntary members). Registration ends at 7:10pm. Rounds begin at: 7:15pm. Prizes: A chess book will be awarded to 1st place.

Spot The Tactic Solutions

#1 (Tiruveedhula - Decker, Queen City Tornado):

24.Nf6+! Qxf6 (24...gxf6 25.Nh6+) 25.Rxd7 Bc8 26.Rxg7+ Kh8 27.Rc7 bxc4 28.Qxc4 Bxf5 29.Rxc6 Be6 30.Qxe6 Qxe6 31.Rxe6 Nf4 32.Rxe5 Ne2+ 33.Kh2 Nxg3 34.Kxg3

#2 (Tiruveedhula - Decker, Queen City Tornado):

29.Nd6 Qxg6 30.Nf7+ Qxf7 31.Qxf7

#3 (Abate - Kelley, Queen City Tornado):

26.Bxe5 Bxe5 27.Bc4 wins a pawn due to the pin down the d-file

#4 (McShane - Whitmore, Queen City Tornado):

27…Rxf5 28.Rxf5 Bg4 29.e4 (29.Nxf6+ gxf6 30.Rxf6 Be6 31.Rxh6 [31.b3 Nxe3] 31…Nxb2) 29…Bxf5 30.exf5 Nxb2

#5 (Fang - Dame, NH Closed):

32...Qxh3 33.Qd8+ Be8! 34.Qxc7 (not 34.Qxe8+?? Kg7 with a winning attack for Black after, say, 35.Re1 Rf7 36.Qd8 Qf3+ 37.Kg1 Rxf4 38.Qc7+ Kh7 39.Qc1 Kh5 when White has to give up his queen for the rook to avoid mate) 34…Qf3+ 35.Rg2 Qf1+ 36.Rg1 Qf3+ with a draw by perpetual check

#6 (Okuniewicz - John Harju, NH Quick):

12.e5 wins a piece for a pawn, e.g. 12…dxe5 13.Nxc6 Bxc6 14.Bxc6 or 12…Nxd4 13.exf6 Bxf6 14.Bxb7

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